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The First Christmas

Christmas 1946

'WAY BACK WHEN

Frank Fairborn, Jr.

Memories:- Who fed the bear hay and oats, why "Long Jimmy" Adams, the Crimean war veteran and a town character for many years . . . "Ashy Bill" Gilmore and his two wheeled water cart . . . "Chief" Palmer giving an imitation of Rev. James Murray pronouncing the Benediction . . . Uncle Bill Clarke at nomination meeting, oh-h-ho-o-o-o-o . . . John H. Grout with his overcoat over his shoulders . . . Bobby Farrell, both senior and junior, using a step ladder to harness the Grout team of big blacks . . . peppermint bullseyes, cent a piece . . . Amos Freshwater and his cartage wagon . . . Jimmy Burns the man with no feet . . . "Onion Billy" Wooton . . . "Hey Pat, did you see the owl"? Yes, bejabbers, I did and I nearly got some salt on his tail to catch him . . . Prof. Hyde, leader of the band and "Who stopped this band" . . . "Irish Tommy" Noble.

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On Monday night, January 21, 1890, Village Council held its first meeting of the year. Council that year was composed of William Clarke, reeve and John B. Moore, Walter Scott Mariatt, Richard Lipsett and Nelson J. Teeter as councillors. James Brodie was appointed clerk and treasurer at a salary of $75 per year. Solomon Teeter was appointed Assessor at a salary of $25 and Robert Teeter was appointed tax collector at the same figure despite the fact that A. R. Henry was willing to do the job for $5 less. Thomas Johnson was the reeve's appointee as auditor on his behalf and David Sykes, the public school principal, was the council's appointee. George Hughes got $20 year for being caretaker of the Fire Hall and Dr. Alexander was M.O.H. Jas. A. Livingston wanted the council to light the streets of the village with electricity. Six arc lights would be required. Council thought the expense would be too great.

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Managers of the various fall fairs in the district held their annual meeting and banquet in Grimsby on January 16th, 1890, and a good time was had by all.

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All other items appearing here occurred during January of 1890:

North Grimsby council held its first meeting for 1890 in the town hall, Grimsby, on Monday, Jan. 20, at 11 o'clock a.m. After taking the usual declaration of qualification and office, the members took their seats as follows: T. A. Kemp, reeve, in the chair; councillors, D. Van Duzer, A. G. Pettit, B. Beamer and R. A. Hurst.

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Sealed tenders for lighting and keeping street lamps in order will be received until 6 o'clock p.m., Jan. 31, 1890; tenders to state the rate per lamp per night for lighting and cleaning.

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Tenders will also be received for lighting, cleaning and providing oil for lamps; tenders to state rate per lamp per night. Any information required will be furnished by the Fire Committee, Messrs. N. J. Teeter and B. Lipsit. Tenders to be addressed to the

VILLAGE CLERK

Grimsby, Jan. 22, 1890.

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The Grimsby high school have organized a literary society. The following officers are appointed: president, Miss Ross; vice-president, Edward Orr; secretary, Miss Dora Smith; reporter, Etta Sullivan; critic, Mr. Boni; committee, Miss Clara VanDuzer, Miss Mabel Woolverton, Fred Goodwin, Frank Carpenter, Herbert Nelles.

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A concert and entertainment will be held in the town hall, Grimsby, on Feb. 6th, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid, of St. Andrew's church in aid of the reseating fund. Mrs. Zimmerman, Miss Katie Nelles, Miss Maud Hare, and others have kindly consented to assist. The audience will also be entertained by an exhibition of Mrs. Jarley's world renowned wax works, presented by Mr. F. A. Powis, of Hamilton.

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With the advent of the sale of beer and wines in the hotels and restaurantes throughout the province, in 1934, Grimsby entered into another phase of the liquor situation, and records show us that this municipality since the coming of the first white settler has passed through many different stages of "liquor life." What the Indian did for his firewater before the coming of the white man we have no record. Probably he did not imbibe in those days but learned the art of "lushing" from his paleface brother.

At one time back in the dim misty past Grimsby was the proud possessor (?) of both a brewery and a distillery. The brewery stood on Main Street west and the distillery was almost opposite it. Whiskey was cheap in those days as different documents show that foodstuffs, fodder and other lines of merchandise were traded for spirits and one ancient record shows where lodge dues were paid up in full with whiskey which was valued at 50 cents a gallon. The same type of "tangle-foot" today costs the purchaser $2.30 for a 25 ounce bottle or at the rate of $13.80 a gallon. Oh, for the good old days. At this time the hamlet also had two or more taverns or roadside coach inns. One of these inns stood where the present Grimsby Winery now stands. The present Grimsby Club Property was the Mariatt Inn.

In later years there were three hotels in Grimsby. The Station House, run by the Konkle family at the Grand Trunk station. The Lincoln House operated by Charlie Mabey and Jack VanDyke, now the Hotel Grimsby, and The Mansion House operated by the late Captain Randall, where the Mansion Apartments are now located. These three houses in 1887-88 closed up their bars, so to speak, on account of the coming into force at the much castigated Scott Act, which was a Dominion law forbidding the sale of spirituous liquor in any municipality where the residents by right of vote decided to forbid it. The Scott Act was never enforced very strenuously and if you had the right password, which all and sundry apparently did have, it was no trouble to be served in all three houses. Records also show us that during those two years a "travelling bootlegger" became a part and parcel of all Scott Act territories, his method being to travel from place to place by horse and waggon and peddle his wares, which were known as "Moxie" to all who wished to purchase.

During the years of 1906-07-08 Grimsby with two hotels, passed through the throes of all the good and the bad that could possibly accrue from Local Option. The first bylaw submitted to the people was carried by a small majority. After many months of legal arguments in the courts this bylaw was upset and a new election ordered to be held the following year. On the next vote a tremendous organization was formed by those in favor of the sale legally of spirituous liquors and when the ballots were all counted the death knell of Local Option was sounded by a large majority.

During this three years of voting and fighting on the part of the citizens the boys about town were far from going dry. It was not illegal for anybody to purchase beer or liquor and bring it into the municipality and drink it in their homes, but the trouble was that the big majority was not drank in the homes but rather along the lake bank, on the mountain side and in the peach orchards. Records show that one year during a period of eight months over 800 kegs of beer and ale were shipped to Grimsby station from the St. Catharines brewery alone and a like amount from the Hamilton breweries.

After the defeat of Local Option all was quiet along the "hops and malt battle line" until the 16th day of September, 1916, when by a war time ukase issued by the government all Ontario went dry and we began life under the now famous O.T.A. In order to get a legal drink under this law, one first had to get a prescription from his doctor as to the serious malady that he suffered and then journey to Hamilton and have said prescription filled at the Government Dispensary. For a lot of years the number of people on the sick list in Grimsby was terrible to behold.

In June of 1928, Mr. Ferguson, acting on the authority of the people of the province, vested in him at the polls, opened one of his 124 chain stores in Grimsby and the people of the district have had good service for their spirituous wants since then. A new law has came into being and those wishing beer by the glass or wine at their meals in hotels and restaurants can obtain same legally without fuss or feathers.

As the motto on the Fairborn family crest has always read " We Never Drink At Our Own Expense" none of the systems ever made much difference to me.

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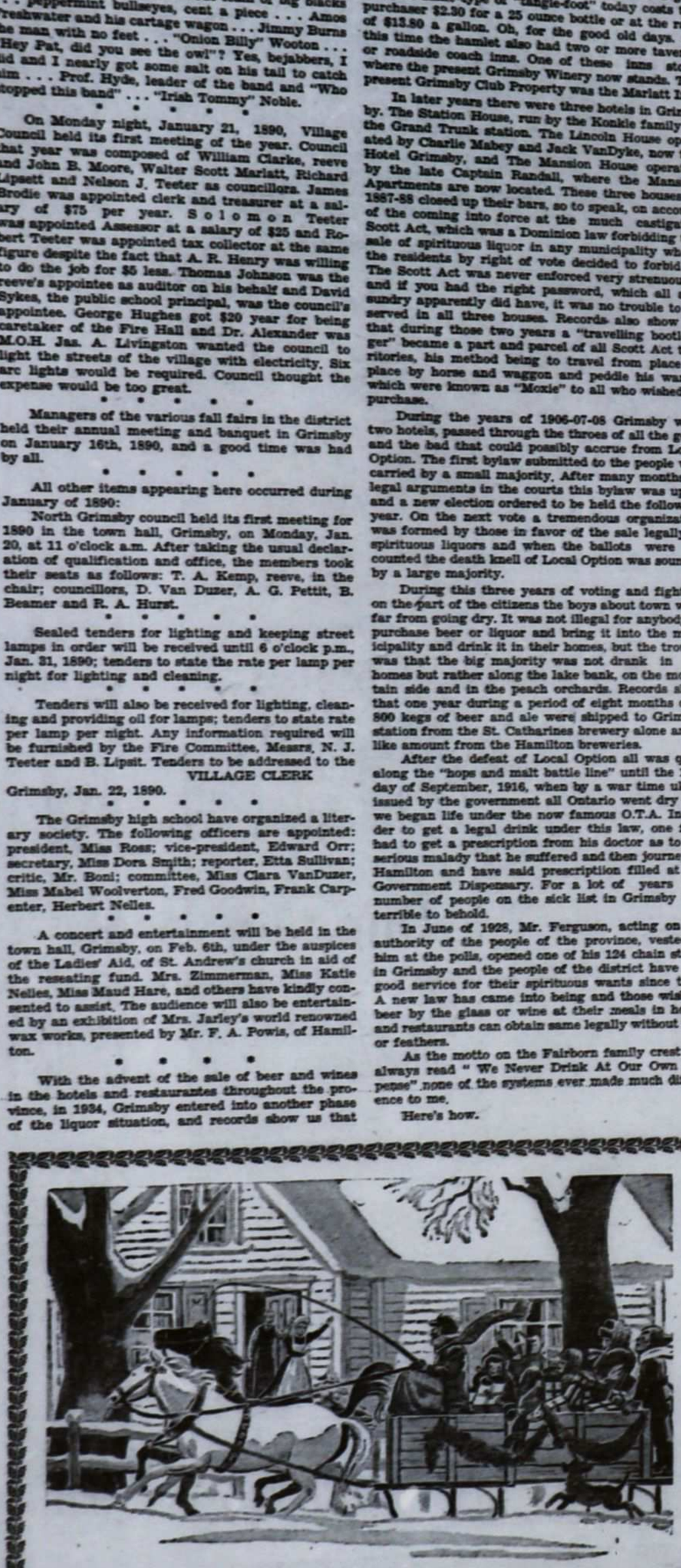

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CHRISTMAS BRINGS GOD TO MAN

Though you trace Christianity to its cradle in Bethlehem, you are not tracing Christ to His origin. He did not begin to be in Bethlehem. Never was there a time when He was not, but it was there in that cradle that He commenced to be manifested in that particular aspect. The anniversary of Christmas Day is its own sermon. It is like sandalwood, fragrant with inextinguishable memories of pathos, tenderness and love. Reason, and observation and inference and probability have in every age led spiritually minded thinkers to expect a manifestation of God in human form on earth. The consciousness of right and wrong within them, what they themselves possessed of tender mercy led them whether they were Hindus, Zoroastrians, or Jews, to be certain that the author of that law of right and wrong, the source of that tender mercy, would immense and exceptional delusion we should have no concer with it, not leave man in weakness, but in tender mercy he would visit them from on high. And Christmas Day is the agreed upon anniversary of the particular moment in human history when these aspirations were abundantly fulfilled.

The eternal reality underlying the human symbol of that Babe in its cradle does not lend itself to mathematical demonstration, or to verbal definition. But so far as we can express it in the poverty of human language, it is God assuring us out of the infinite silence that He is the everlasting friend of man, though we sometimes doubt it. It is God in tender mercy relieving our minds of the awful pressure of such unthinkable words as Immensity, Omnipresence, Omnipotence, Boundlessness and the like, permitting us to think of Him as a Man, to love Him as a Friend, to trust Him as a Father. This unspeakably blessed revelation first touched the world on the first Christmas Day, and thus made the discovery of God appear possible to man. If the Incarnation were an but simply to marvel that it should so have gripped the imagiation of this weary world that for twenty centuries the delusion had added dignity to humanity, and illuminated its darkness with kindliness and friendship. If it be as we believe it is, an intense an unalterable, a transcendant truth, it becomes us to acknowledge, to appropriate, and to proclaim the boundless love and tender mercy that has been manifested.

CHRISTMAS ELF TENDED CATTLE

Jule-Nisse was not exactly a Danish version of Santa Claus. He was an elfish little old man who lived in the attic and was primarily concerned with the well-being of the cattle, keeping them quiet and contented, caring for them if the stable-hands neglected their duties.

Nisse's name and association with Christmas probably stems from his legendary tenancy of houses where peace and contentment prevailed. 'Tis said he either avoided homes where contention ruled or played all sorts of gremlin-like tricks upon the occupants thereof.

Danish youngsters, mindful of Nisse's long memory and watchful eye, put themselves upon their good behavior as Christmas approaches.

SEND . . .

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. . . FOR A CHRISTMAS GIFT

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IN THE HOME — Eliminate all Christmas decorativdighting until Saturday, December 21st, and again after January 1st, 1947.
Turn off lights when not required.
Use a minimum number of lights in t living-room, consistent with good vision.
Use electrically heated water sparingly and check leaking hot water taps.
Do not use range elements on "high" when lower heat will serve, and turn off all elements as soon as possible.
Cook oven meals as often as possible and void the unnecessary use of surface elements.
Turn off verandah and other outside lights.
Turn off all small appliances as soon as possible.
Do not use electric air heaters and grates.

IN STORES AND OFFICES — Eliminate all Christmas derative lighting before December 21st, 1946, and again after Janry 1st, 1947.
Eliminate the use of electricity for signs and ve windows from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Turn off all lights when not required.
Use electrically heated water sparing and check leaking hot water taps.
Do not use electric air heaters.

IN INDUSTRIES — Switch from day to night operations wherever practicable.
Turn off factory and office lights when not needed.
Turn off motor-driven machines when not required and effect other savings wherever possible.
Avoid the use of all non-essential outdoor lighting.
Do not use electric space heaters.

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ENGLISHMEN TO BLAME FOR THIS

In old England they had many dishes which we seldom hear of now. There was "frumenty," a dish made of wheat which is still sometimes served in Yorkshire, ale posset, Shropshire "wigs," and carroway buns dipped in ale. Yule doughs or "dows" were eaten everywhere, and in Coventry they made their famous Godcake. Tansy, too, was a favorite dish. This was made with eggs and cream, flavored with the juice of tansy, an extremely bitter, aromatic herb. In addition there was Christmas brawn, "connynges" in gravy, and a host of dishes that have since died out.

Christmas was never a national festival in Scotland, but at this period of the year new "sowens" were always eaten. These were made from the husks and siftings of oatmeal mixed with molasses, and to all accounts were delicious.

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Turkey Surfeit

(By JOHN GOULD, in Christian Science Monitor)

One year Grandfather raised some turkeys. He didn't know anything about turkeys, and it was a job. He picked up a setting of eggs in connection with some business venture involving a roan horse and seven shoats, and came home with them in a pail of sawdust.

The work started when he tried to convince a hen she should undertake this experiment with him. Grandfather was usually trying to stop hens from setting, so they didn't understand too well. Nowadays incubators have had an effect on mother instincts, and I haven't had a broody hen for three years. But in Grandfather's day hens were broody in droves and he had elaborate schemes for redeeming them. He used flannel rags, and pails of water, and all those things, as well as a broody coop where the ambitious hen had to stand on slats until she got over it. More than once he had more hens on slats than he did on the floor. So it usually happened that when he did want a broody hen he didn't have one.

It was that way with the turkey eggs. He not only had no hen, but none of the neighbors had any, and for a few days it looked as if he was going to take a loss on the deal. But a Black Minorca obliged him, and he set her on the eggs in a bushel basket filled with chaff. In due time the Black Minorca looked pleased, and Grandfather found every egg had hatched. Then the work began.

Turkeys are not supposed to be easy to raise, and men who are successful at it have solved a lot of problems. Somehow Grandfather had never tried them, although it was his whim to have all sorts of odds and ends around the place. His sidelines usually made progress through their own initiative and not through any special care from him. The ducks, geese, goats, rabbits, pigeons, and whatever else he had from time to time were captains of their fate. They were usually misdirected investments, not regular farm projects but odds and ends from trading.

But he gave his precious turkeys every attention. He worked with them every minute. He lost a few in the early stages, but the wonder is he didn't lose them all. Along in the late summer, he was extremely proud of three fine hens and eleven boosting great toms that could swell up and make the Holstein bull look like a little boy. They roamed all over the farm, and when they came back to the barn there was aways a hearty meal awaiting them. These were the turkeys Grandfather observed were low-witted. He noticed that they would fly out to forage, sailing over the trees and walls into the far fields. But they never had sense enough to fly back. They would walk back, footsore and exhausted.

So one day Grandfather selected one of his fine toms, and brought him up to the house all plucked and pin-feathered, and Grandmother stuffed him with a full measure of goodness. It was the finest Sunday dinner in the history of the farm, and everybody sat around all afternoon dozing. This was good, and everybody spoke highly of Grandfather's turkey, so in a couple of weeks he fixed up another one. As the fall worked along Grandfather was generous with his turkeys and on the slightest pretext would serve up a turkey that probably ran from 15 to 20 pounds, but seemed progressively bigger unti lone November day they had one the size of the barn.

Naturally Grandfather was keeping his biggest and best one for Christmas, and when somebody chanced to think of the coming holiday the yelp that went up was about the same volume as the retreat order at Bull Run, and Grandfather got the notion a turkey on Christmas was not likely to be appreciated to the full. At least he sensed enough indifference so he took the remaining turkeys to market and got a good price for them.

He then tried to think of something utterly different with which to feast the holiday, and after much deliberation he provided the principal ingredient of a squirrel pie. Grandmother never made one before, and doubted it would be good. It wasn't traditional, but it wasn't turkey—and that was something to be thankful for.

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CHRISTMAS TIME CHILDREN'S TIME

Christmas time is the children's time. It means holidays from school, parties, excitement, and thrills. The events planned for this time of year take on a festive atmosphere like no other party. The spirit of joy is in the air and is reflected by the children in their simple games.

When you are arranging a party for the youngsters be sure to provide for every minute of the time. A Christmas party should never be dull or uninteresting, for there are so many fascinating things to do.

As soon as all the guest have assembled, give each one a small evergreen branch set in a pot of earth, a collection of colored paper, a scissors, a tube of paste, some tinsel, and tiny candles with holders and proceed to have a Christmas tree winning contest. As an award for the prettiest tree, it would be appropriate to give some very attractive ornament for the child to take home to place on the family tree.

After this quiet game, it will be a good time to introduce something more hilarious, such as a candle blowing contest, or a popcorn relay race. For the former, place a large lighted candle on a table. Ask the contestant to stand directly in front of it, then place a blindfold over the eyes and ask him to turn around three times and then try to blow out the candle. For the popcorn race, divide the crowd into two sides. Have two long, strong threads with a coarse needle at one end and a large knot at the other, held up by a person at each end of the strings. A bowl of popcorn is placed on a table near the needle.

At a given signal the first child from each line runs up to the bowl, takes a kernel of corn, strings it on the needle, and shoves the kernel to the other end of the string; then the child next in line does likewise until the side is finished.

Another good Christmas game consists of throwing cotton snowballs through a holly wreath hung in a doorway. It can either be arranged for a relay game or an individual contest.

For luncheon have a Christmas cake decorated with red cinnamon candies, and ice cream decorated with sprigs of holly.

After lunch a cranberry hunt for berries hidden in every part of the room will finish up the afternoon's fun.

MINGLING OF RICH AND POOR

During the 1400's and 1500's before the Puritans got the upper hand, the golden age of English hospitality reigned. At Christmas time castles and manor houses were filled with guests by the score and the hundred.

Kinsmen and neighbours were there and on certain days the tradesmen and tenants, for all were equal at this season. The 'ostler could dance with the mistress if he had the nerve to ask her. And he usually had — after the wassail.

The great halls were a din of geniality. There was light—almost enough to pierce the wood smoke. And there were the savory aromas: Roasting beef, roasting mutton, fowl and brawn (the flesh of the wild pig, which had been caught and fed good grain to the point of arousing his suspicions; too late, of course).

The dark ale flowed and added voice—by proxy—to heighten its noise. At the peak of all this there was brought in the Yule log —a relic, incidentally, of the Scandinavians' pagan worship of Thor. dith a brand from last year's log he new one was fired.

The light from these roaring ames would shine out through ortals opened to the knocks of aroling and wassailing bands who, core often than not, were brought nto the hall to eat of nutmeg akes and brawn and mustard.

ENGLISH NEW YEAR

The English New Year celebraion was changed from December tio by William the Conqueror, be-25se he was crowned on January 1.

Season's ★ Greetings. ★★

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St. Francis of Assisi is accredited as having been one of the first to popularize the custom of singing carols at Christmastime. He taught the faithful simple and tuneful melodies, and he saying goes that, overjoyed by his presentation success attending his presentation of the first Christmas Crib in 12— he burst into joyous vocal recitation of the gospel story.

Hymns in honor of the nativity were written as early as the 4th century, but these monotonous church chants neither properly nor musically ante-date our modern carols. Experimentation with modal and intervallis relationships during the 15th century, together with the folk songs and minstrelsy of the times, made definite contributions to the traditions and popularity of Christmas music.

Puritan England forbade public performance of carols; so for a while they traveled "underground" by word of mouth, and "broad sheets," printed annually, served to preserve the texts with a variance of accurancy.

When the restoration of English royalty voided the Roundhead Parliament's abolition of Christmas festivities, residents of colonial city Boston placed lighted candles in their windows to welcome the Waits who, resuming the Old English tradition, went about the city sing carols on Christmas Eve:

"It came upon the midnight clear
That glorious song of old . . .
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

ENLAND FAMOUS FOR MINCE PIES

One of England's gay Christmas traditions centers around its delectable mince pies. It seems that each mince piec eaten between Bhristmas Eve and Twelfth Night will ensure a whole month of good luck in the coming year.

That works out to just about a pie a day for 12 days, to cover the calendar year—a stunt that would seem more likely to cause chron. dyspepsia than good fortune. But these aren't the pies we Americans are accustomed to—the English mince pie is about the size of a doughnut. To eat a dozen in as many days is no trick at all, when two or three of them can be gobbled with a cup of tea.

Is There A Santa Claus?

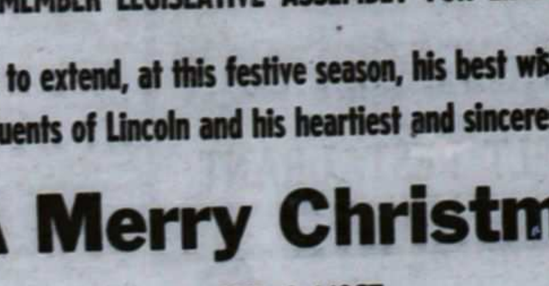
(This editorial, which has justly become timeless, was written in The New York Sun in 1897 by Francis Pharcellus Church in answer to a letter from a little eight year old girl named Virginia O'Hanlon who had been told by some of her friends that there was no Santa Claus.)

'Irginia, your little friends are wrong
They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age.
They do not believe except they see.
They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.
All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.
In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect,
An ant, in his intellect,
As compared with the boundless worlds about him,
As measured by the intelligence capable of grasping
The whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.
He exists as certainly as love and generosity and
Devotion exist, and you know that they abound
And give to your life its highest beauty and joy.
Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus!
It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias.
There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance
To make tolerable this existence.
We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight
The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished
Not believe in Santa Claus!

You might as well not believe in fairies!
You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys
On Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus,
But even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down,
What would that prove?
Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus.
The most real things in the world are those that neither
Children nor men can see.
Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn?
Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there.
Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are
Unseen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the
Noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen
World which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength
Of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart.
Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside
That curtain and view and picture
The supernal beauty and glory beyond.
Is it all real?
Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.
No Santa Claus!
Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever.
A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.



Hon. Charles "Tod" Daley

MINISTER OF LABOUR FOR ONTARIO

MEMBER LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR LINCOLN

Wishes to extend, at this festive season, his best wishes to the constituents of Lincoln and his heartiest and sincerest wish for

A Merry Christmas
AND A MOST
Prosperous New Year

GIFTS SACRED AT THE NEW YEAR

The Druids distributed branches of the sacred mistletoe, cut with peculiar ceremonies, as New Year's gifts to the people and the Saxons observed the day with gifts and festivals.

The Roman custom of taking gifts to the emperor was introduced into England as early as the time of Henry III. Queen Elizabeth is supposed to have supplied herself with her jewels and wardrobe almost entirely from these gifts.

At late as 1692 the English nobility were accustomed every year to send to the king a purse containing gold.

Under the Tudors and the Stuarts it was the habit of all classes to give presents to friends with the best wishes for the New Year.

Ladies received presents of gloves or pins which were then expensive. Sometimes the gifts were wrapped in money and from this practice we have the term "pin money."

It isn't far to Bethlehem town!
It's anywhere that Christ comes down
And finds in people's friendly face
A welcome and abiding place;
The road to Bethlehem runs right though
The homes of folks like me and you.

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Canada has borrowed Christmas customs from other countries and other centuries adding here and discarding there until the present customs have evolved.

Santa Claus, for example, bears the name he does in Canada because this is the British version of the Dutch Saint Nicholas. The original Saint Nicholas was Bishop of Smyrna during the Diocletian persecution and after his death became the patron of little children, merchants, travellers, sailors, thieves, pawnbrokers and maiden ladies.

The gifts that Santa Claus is supposed to bring had their origin in a legend about him which tells how he gave dowries to three daughters of a poor tradesman. Out of this legend grew the custom of hanging up the stockings of little children on the Eve of St. Nicholas on December 5, the custom being transferred to Christmas later. Others say the presents given at Christmas are birthday presents suggested by the example of the Wise Men.

The Christmas tree which has become an almost universal symbol probably came to the North American Continent from German soil, although one tradition has it that the Christmas tree had its origin in Egypt at a period long before the Christian era. The palm tree is supposed to put forth a branch every month and a spray of this tree with 12 shoots on it, was used in Egypt at the time of the winter solstice as a sign of the year completed. German writers mentioned the Christmas tree as early as 1605.

Prince Albert, the German husband of Queen Victoria, introduced the tree into England.

Holly with its thorns, and blood-red berries is thought to symbolize the crown of thorns worn by the Saviour. Another belief is that the use of holly as Christmas decorations comes to us from the pagans. Holly is believed to be particularly hateful to witches and at one time it was thought that, unless a maiden adorned her bed with a sprig of berried holly, she would be visited by a mischievous goblin.

Mistletoe, called by the Druids "All-Heal" was thought to hold many miraculous virtues. The Scandinavians dedicated it to their Goddess of Love, Friga. Probably the Goddess of Love is responsible for the custom of kissing under the mistletoe. The superstitious believe that a maiden who is not kissed under the mistletoe will not marry during the ensuing year. The privilege of kissing under the mistletoe is supposed to be measured by the number of berries the branch contains.

The custom in Canada of lighting shrubs and small trees in the garden with electric lights at Christmas is believed to have been brought to this country from Sweden, where it has long been customary to leave lights burning in the windows of the houses at this season.

The Wassail bowl, so named from the Saxon "was hael" 'or "be in health," carried by the children singing carols, owes its origin to the custom of drinking the health of friends in the spiced wine drunk at Christmas time in mediaeval days. It was a spiced and sweetened drink served in huge bowls with roasted apples floating in it.

These old customs and others have survived although time has brought changes in them. And so it is that at Christmas quaint customs are followed by a composite of lore, legend and tradition from many lands, indicative by this very fact of the universality of the Christmas spirit.

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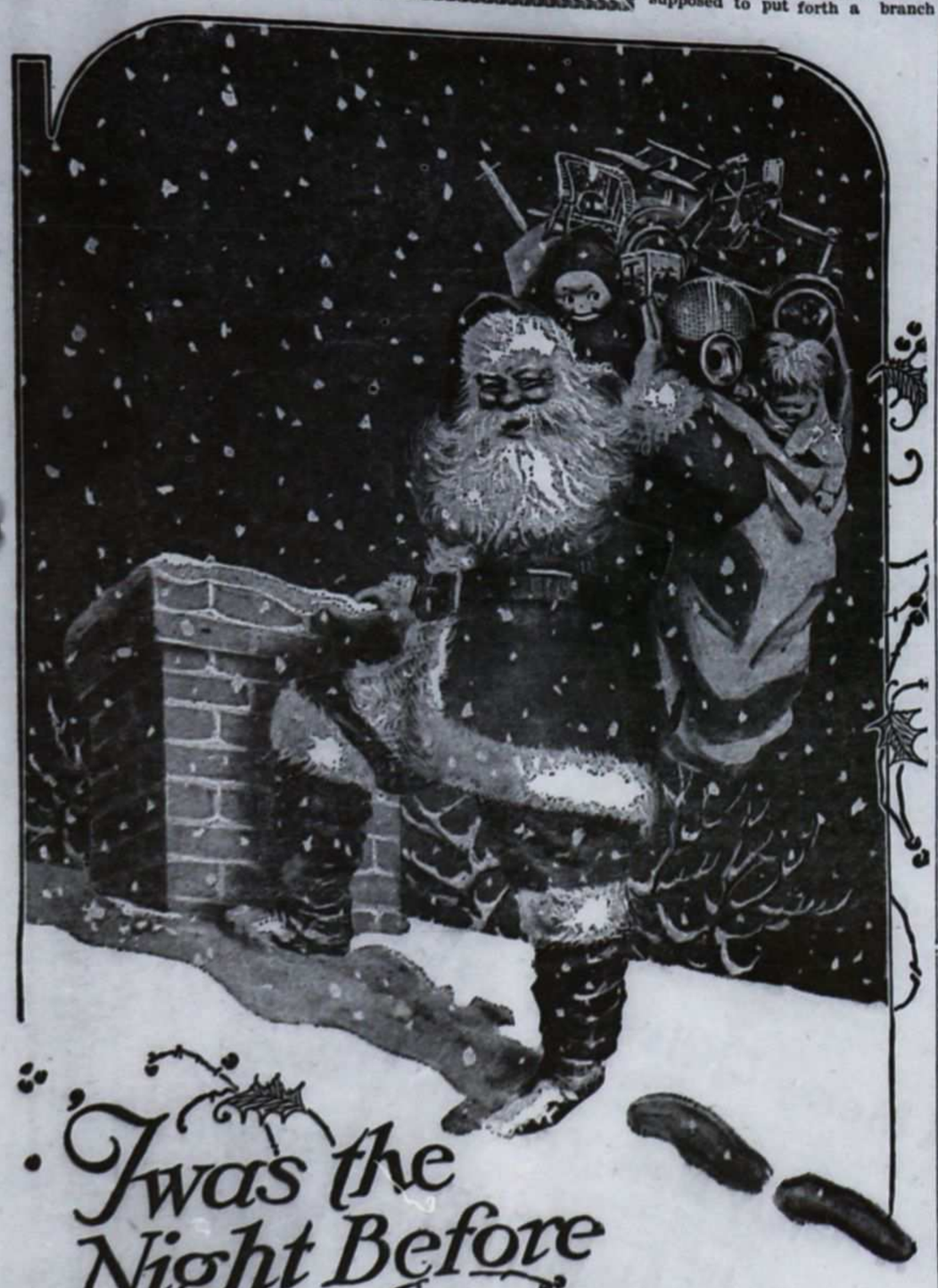

HOLLY IS CALLED CHRIST'S CROWN

Inseparable in thought are the Yuletide and the red-herried holly that finds so conspicuous a place in the decoration of church and home; which tumbles out of great boxes at the entrance to the fruiterer's, and which adds the perfect touch to the Christmas plum pudding. Holly, which carries with it a special significance of goodwill, was known in ancient legends as "Christ's thorn" to both the people of Denmark and Germany, while the Italians knew it as the "holy thorn."

Pagan Rome used holly in the great festival of Saturnalia, a holiday which preceded the present celebration of Christmas. Barbarous tribes of Europe, whose only bond in common was their allegiance to the Roman Empire, exchanged branches of holly as goodwill offerings. Holly which grows in many parts of the world, is said to be found in 200 varieties. The holly which in the earliest years was used to twine around the doors and posts of the homes of Merrie England was called the holly tree.

There is none more lovely than the Canadian holly, which grows in the woods of Ontario, and which, during the past few years has been introduced into some of the florist shops of Ontario. A choice gift for the Yuletide is a Canadian-woven basket filled with the Canadian holly. Unlike the holly from the South, the holly branch found in the Canadian woods carries few leaves. A big bow of scarlet ribbon tied to the handle of the basket adds a real Christmassy touch to the basket.

HOLLY LEGENDS

Holly was much admired by the Druids who believed that its evergreen leaves attested to its favor with the sun god.

Legends related that the crown of thorns was plaited from the holly. Before the crucifixion the berries were white but turned crimson like drops of blood.

Another is that holly is hateful to witches and is therefore placed on doors and windows to keep out evil spirits.

A more modern legend is that who ever brings the Christmas holly into the house first, either husband or wife, is the one who will rule the ensuing year.

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'INLAND VOYAGE' IS STILL POSSIBLE —ON THE FIRST WOMAN PILOT'S PACKET

(By RAY M. THOMPSON, in Christian Science Monitor)

Less than eight people a year out of every 1,000,000 of our population take what is one of the most enjoyable vacation trips America has to offer—and that is to steam in leisurely and comforable fashion down the 1,475 miles of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers from Cincinnati to New Orleans and back, in the same type of romantic river steamboat that Mark Twain made famous.

There is true not because it is exclusive or expensive, but because only is only one such passenger packet in operation today. It makes per five trips a year and it can carry no more than 200 passengers of trip. But, there would be none—the privilege of seeing the heart of America from the bosom of the Father of Waters would be completely lost to the American people—if it were not for the imagination and initiative of Mary Greene.

Mary Green is now 78 years old. She was and still is the only woman in the United States to hold a master's and pilot's license on the Mississippi River and its tributaries. She is the head of he Greene Line Steamers, Inc., which she took over when her husband passed on in 1927. Her company today operates several river freight steamers in addition to this last of the river passenger packets, the "Gordon C. Greene," on which you will find her, every trip, still following the river she loves, although she travels now as a passenger. Her son is master of the Gordon C. Greene and her own active days kicking the big wheel are over.

Today she spends her time—as the Gordon C. Greene steams on its 20-day round trip from Cincinnati to New Orleans—quietly sewing handkerchiefs into clever little house aprons. She will volunteer the information that last year she made and sold to the Gordon C. Greene passengers enough of these aprons to donate over $1,060 to churches of all denominations.

But you have to dig a little to get her to tell you about her adventures as a pilot on the roughest and toughest of rivers. This is her story:

Mary was born just outside of Marietta, Ohio, in that turbulent era after the Civil War when the steamboats on the Mississipi and Ohio Rivers were waging their magnificent losing battle with the railroads. She grew up when there were still about 5,000 paddle-wheelers plying the waterways, and fell in love with and married a stalwart young river man, Gordon C. Greene, who had just earned his pilot's card and was master of his own boat.

There was no cottage with rambler roses for Mary Greene. She boarded the boat with her husband and there they made their home. And on the river all three of their sons were born.

It was early in their marriage, on one of those quiet nights when she stood beside Gordon in the wheelhouse, both of them proud of the new searchlight they had just bought and making plans together for buying another boat, that the little bride, not over five feet tall, decided to learn to be a pilot. Then she could operate the other boat for Gordon.

Now piloting was definitely a man's job in those days. The rivers, especially the Mississippi, were treacherous. Filled with sand bars, which were constantly shifting, visited with yearly floods that obliterated landmarks, and storms that often succeeded in battering to bits the husky river boats that opposed them, the rivers demanded of the pilots courage, steadiness, and the ability to make correct split-second decisions. The pilot was complete master of the boat, and upon his judgment depended the safety of the cargo and passengers.

But Mary, under Gordon's tutelage, memorized every sand bar and shoal, learned to handle the big wheel in still water and in storm, and gradually earned the respect and admiration of the rough roustabouts who never would have accepted or obeyed a woman pilot unless she were an expert.

It was in 1904, when she piloted their new huge side-wheeler, the "Greenland," on its maiden voyage from Pittsburgh to the St. Louis World's Fair—1,200 miles—that she became recognized as a pilot among pilots.

During her piloting lifetime on more than 25 boats, she never lost a passenger.

Once a sudden storm came up while she was in her cabin sleeping. Before she could dress and get out, the fury of the storm had wedged the door and she had to wait quietly until the crew pried it open. When she came on deck nail kegs were being picked up and flung overboard by the elements like paper bags. The voyage ended safely on a sand bar; but Mary was at the wheel fighting for her boat, while male passengers were frankly on their knees praying.

Her third son, now Captain Tom of the "Gordon C. Greene," was born while their boat was caught in an ice jam at Point Pleasant, W. Va. She had stood watch every night up to his arrival, which was six weeks before the time expected.

Adventure crowded every moment of her life, but she was river-born and married a river man. She loved every moment of it and never felt that she was doing anything unusual.

It was after her husband's passing that her love of the river faced its greatest test. The depression of the early 1930's had hit the river boats. Old recognized lines on the Ohio and Mississipi were going out

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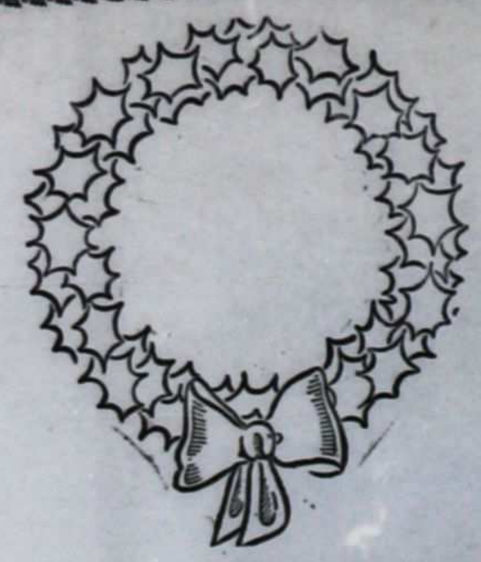
DECORATIONS OF RED AND GREEN

The use of green at Christmas time is understood when it is recalled that the idea of decking churches, houses, shops, etc., centers around the use of evergreen. This custom antedates the Christian era and apparently is a survival of the Roman Saturnalia when inhabitants of Rome ornamented their temples and dwellings with green boughs.

Red, which is regarded as the most cheerful of all colors, is said to react most quickly on the optic nerve. Decorations available at the winter solstice include holly, the berries of which are red.

Many a man is caught short as the result of taking long chances.



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of business, some of them ruined. Mary was then in her 60s. Her sons were gown up. She could retire comforably.

Bt it would not have been the Marywho 30 years before that conquered the river as its first woma pilot. With the help of her sons, he consolidated her holdings and, intead of retiring, bought the franchise of the oldest steamboat line in he world, the Louisville and Cincinnati Packet Company, and kept alve the old "Mail Line Trade" which had been a tradition on the river for 100 years.

It was not until 1937 that she decided to restore to the American peopl a way of travel then already lost several years—the method that originally opened to both the South and the West, the method made famous in literature by Mark Twain—aboard the river passenger packet. Today the Gordon C. Greene is the only boat on the Mississippi River that carries overnight passengers.

It made its last trip this season from Cincinnati to New Orleans in October—and Mary Greene was aboard, sewing on her handkerchiefs. Unless you knew her story you'd think she was just a kindly, sweet old lady with a life of placidity behind her. But her sweetness is the great tolerance and kindliness acquired by people who have mastered both themselves and the problems of life.

Merry Christmas, Friends! Christmas morning brings to mind a dozen Christmases; the fragrance of pine boughs, the excitement of parcelled gifts and the wonderful wonderful aroma of roasting turkey! To help fill your kitchen and your Christmas day with the sweetest scents of all the year here are festive ideas.

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ROAST TURKEY

Wash turkey after it has been drawn, rinse and dry well. Rub inside of bird with salt before adding dressing. Allow about three-quarters cup dressing for each pound of turkey. Pack dressing loosely into body and neck of turkey. Sew up openings. Truss bird by turning tops of wings under back and pressing legs close against the body. Hold in place by inserting skewer under the wings and another under the legs. Then tie turkey in shape with cord, fastening it to skewers. Place turkey breast side down on rack or crossed skewers in roasting pan. Bake in an electric oven, 300 degs., allowing 20 minutes per pound dressed weight; for turkeys under 10 lbs. allow 25 minuets per pound. Baste occasionally during roasting. Turn turkey on back for last hour of roasting to uniformly brown the bird.

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CELERY STUFFING

3 cups finely chopped celery, 1 cup diced potatoes, 4 cups boiling water, ⅓ cup fat, 1 onion (chopped), 4 qts. bread crumbs, 2 tbsps. poultry dressing, 1 tbsp. salt, 1 tbsp. pepper.

Simmer celery and potatoes in boiling water until tender. Drain. Heat fat and add onion. Cook and stir until tender. Mix all ingredients thoroughly. Stuff turkey.

GIBLET GRAVY

Simmer the giblets (liver, gizard and heart) and the neck in a quart of water for about an hour, or until tender. Drain and chop the meat finely. Leave about 1 cup fat in pan after removing roasted chicken or turkey. Stir in two-thirds cup flour. Gradually add the cool broth in which the giblets were cooked and enough cold water to make a smooth, thin gravy. Cook for 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Add chopped giblets. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

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CRANBERRY ORANGE RELISH

4 cups cooked cranberries, 2 oranges, 1¾ cups of sugar or 1 cup of sugar and ½ cup of honey.

Put the cranberries through a food chopper. Quarter whole oranges, remove seeds and put through chopper. Add sugar and mix well. Chill in refrigerator a few hours before serving. Makes 1 quart of relish. This relish will keep well in the refrigerator for several weeks.

And here are a few different ways in which you can use the relish.

1. Mould the Cranberry-Orange relish in prepared gelatin for a quick and delicious salad.

2. For an unusual sandwich, butter bread and cover with a thin slice of chicken, turkey or ham; spread with a tablespoon of Cranberry-Orange Sauce; cover with another slice of buttered bread.

3. For an unusual salad dressing, drain ½ cup Cranberry-Orange Relish, blend into 1 cup of mayonnaise or boiled dressing. Delicious on fruit salads.

4. Mix Cranberry-Orange Relish and cream cheese to make a super stuffing for celery. Serve on lettuce as a salad, too.

5. Add 2 cups diced raw apples as a relish.

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CHRISTMAS JELLY ROLL

If you have a little icing sugar tucked away, a simple jelly roll may be transformed to resemble a real knotted yule log.

Before icing cut a slice ¾ inch thick from the end of the roll. Holding the knife in a slanting position, cut the slice into four wedge-shaped pieces. Place these wedges on the roll, as knots. Cover the roll with a thin layer of mocha icing, marking with a fork to resemble bark.

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Mrs. L. D. asks: for Gingersnap Ice Cream recipe.

Answer: 1 cup heavy cream, 2 tbsps, fine sugar, 3 bananas (mashed), 2 tbsps. lemon juice, 1 cup rolled gingersnap crumbs.

Add ¼ tsp. lemon juice to cream and whip until stiff. Add sugar and few grains of salt. Combine bananas and lemon juice and fold into cream. Stir in rolled gingersnap crumbs. Freeze—stirring once during freezing.

Mrs. G. R. asks: if cottage cheese can be made of skim milk.

Answer: Yes, and it is very good if milk is soured using 1 tsp. vinegar for 1 pint milk. Heat slowly in a pan over hot water until it separates into curds and whey. Strain through cheese cloth. Chill and mash with a fork.

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Anne Allan invites you to write to her c-o The Grimsby Independent. Send in your suggestions on homemaking problems and watch this column for replies.

The scientist who says that space doesn't exist should try exploring the heads of some men.

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Eve in a land of milk and honey we bet many a man would complain about having to milk the cow.

This is the season of joy and goodwill. May we therefore make it the occasion to express our appreciation of your patronage during the closing year and to wish you continued happiness and prosperity throughout 1947.

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OLLIE SHAW

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When Bill Richardson, Toronto prospector, made a four-month trek through the Barren Lands just south of the Arctic circle this summer, he found rivers so thick with fish he couldn't paddle through them. Bill made friends with this Eskimo youngster via a tin of milk. On Canadian Cavalcade, Bill described Canada's last frontier as a land of unlimited opportunities.

WE SING AGAIN OF
"Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men"

Lights will twinkle gaily this Christmas Eve in millions of windows all over the world. Hearts will be overflowing with gladness as families, reunited, toast the Yuletide Season. Even those with loved ones still far away will be joyous in the knowledge of their safety. And once again, on this, the second Christmas of world peace in so many grim years,

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THREE WISE MEN HISTORY PUZZLE

Biblically we know very little about the Wise Men who came from the East bearing gifts to the Christ Child and, having adorned Him as the King of the Jews, returned to their own country.

It is generally accepted that there were three Wise Men because of the three specifically mentioned gifts: church tradition has identified these as Melchoir, Caspar, and Balthasar: Melchoir, king of Arabia, brought a casket of gold; Caspar, king of Tarsus, brought myrrh; and Balthasar, king of Ethiopia, brought frankincense. These gifts are considered symbolic of what Jesus was to become—gold for a king, frankincense for a high priest, and myrrh for a great physician. Collectively, the Wise Men received the gifts of charity and spiritual wealth, perfect faith, truth and meekness.

When they returned to their own country, the three Kings reputedly sold their possessions and went about preaching the Christ-King. Legend continues that they were martyred in India for their faith.

The bodies of the Wise Men transferred to Constantinople in the fourth century—by the Empress Helena, mother of Constantine—were enshrined at Milan for a while after the first Crusade. Frederick Barbarossa autuhorized removal of the relics to Cologne where they remain to this day deposited within the magnificent Cathedral of Cologne.

A small town is the one where they always add some surmise to the gossip.

HERE'S HOW TO SELECT A TREE

"How can we select a Christmas tree that holds its needles?" is a question fathers and mothers ask year after year.

The answer depends on the type of tree you buy and the care you give it once you set it up.

All trees tend to drop their leaves after they are cut and stored in a dry room. But some kinds naturally hold their needles longer than others. Trees used most commonly on Christmas are the spruces, fir, hemlock, pine and red cedars.

Spruce are the first to shed their needles. A spruce can be identified by grasping a branch tightly. Its sharp needles will prick your hand.

The ideal Christmas tree is the fir. It resembles the spruce except that its needles are not sharp. The needles stay on the tree for a long time, and become a golden brown before they finally drop off. Needles of the Douglas fir are flat and soft to the touch. This popular tree can be easily identified by examining the cones which have small appendages on each side.

Pines have never been very popular as Christmas trees, in spite of the fact that they do not shed their needles easily. This is most likely due to their unsymmetrical appearance which does not closely resemble the traditional Christmas tree.

No matter what kind of Christmas tree you select it will hold its needles longer if it is standing in water. Place a little water in the base of your tree stand and you will be bothered less with falling needles than you were last year.

A Joyous Christmas

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HAWKERS BUSY IN BETHLEHEM

In Bethlehem, the place of the Nativity, Christmas is also observed on January 6, and in peaceful years, it has one of the most picturesque of all celebrations. Tourists do not see in Bethlehem the reverence they logically expect to see. On the contrary, the most sacred spot in the Christian world on one of the most sacred days in the Christian year becomes a virtual fair-ground.

Sellers of miscellany cry their wares at the very door of the Church of the Nativity, built on the sight of the Manger. Hucksters of mother-of-pearl crosses hawk their goods among the throng of visitors. One-eyed beggars tell their tales of woe to would-be contributors while Moslems persuade pilgrims to buy bright - coloured and sticky sweets brought from Damascus. In the throngs are Jews, hundreds of them.

The legend is that the Moslems left this church standing when they destroyed or converted all others in the Holy Land because of the legend of the Three Kings which was worked over the main door. When these Arabs saw the Arab-looking king bringing presents to the Infant Jesus they refrained from laying sacrilegious hands on the edifice built where He was born.

The only trouble about a prophet is that they get so much pleasure out of saying: "I told you so."

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The fellow who is equal to any emergency nowadays is certainly a wizard.

MUMMERS HOLD A BIG PARADE

The Mummers' Parade on New Years' Eve is to Philadelphia what the Tournament of Roses is to Pasadena—only the Mummers have a priority on tradition.

The earliest settlers in the vicinity of present-day Philadelphia were English and Swedes. The English cherished the traditional Mummer play "St. George and the Gragon," while the Swedes were fond of Masquerading informally on New Year's Eve. The two customs had merged long before the Revolution and it was customary —even among the Quakers—to extend hospitality to the masqueraders or give them a dole for refreshments.

After the Revolution, George Washington replaced St. George as the central figure of the festivities which continued along the path of spontaneity until 1886 when the parade was sponsored by the Silver Crown New Year's association.

The Municipal administration officially recognized the parade in 1901, and representative citizenry began turning out to watch and participate in the festivities.

The number of organizations sponsoring the parade, the divisions and elaborateness thereof increased through te years. On New Year's Eve in 1930, 12,000 participated in the line of march down Bond street and 300,000 spectators watched the parade which lasted from early evening through the wee hours of the New Year.

A kid ball game is the kind where the game breaks up when the ball is lost.

Kaiser Did It . . .

Santa Claus Is Streamlined

Praise be, that in a world of bewilderment, worries and work, we still have Santa Claus. For in Christmas there is all the reality of Comradeship, all the happiness of sharing, all the healing peace of a truth that is as old as the earth and as new as to-morrow. With this glad hope we wish you . . . .

A Merry Christmas
. . . AND A . . .
Happy New Year

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WHEELS IN HIS HEAD

(Condensed from the book by M. M. MUSSELMAN, in the Reader's Digest)

Everyone who has ever flown in an airplane owes something to A. J. Musselman for comfort and safety. He invented the super-balloon tire without which the modern airplane would be impossible. After he almost broke his own neck bicycling in the Rockies he invented a coaster brake which has been used on 5,000,000 bicycles, up to date. These and other inventions eventually made him a fortune.

Other inventors have been more famous, others have made more money. But it is doubtful if any man of solid achievement ever had more fun. "A.J." 's experiments and exploits, sometimes brilliant, sometimes zany, kept himself, his friends and his family in a state of mingled excitement and laughter. His oldest son tells what it was like to live in the home of an unconventional genius with "wheels in his head."

In my adolescent days I was always sorry A.J., as we called my father, had not realized his earliest ambition: he wanted to be an acrobat in a circus. He would have been a good one, too. Silk tights and bangles would have suited him.

It started when Grandma took the boys to a little one-ring circus. A.J. practiced for weeks afterward until he could stand on his hands, turn handsprings, and do back flips. Then one morning at breakfast he asked with a speculative gleam in his eye, "Ma, how do those circus acrobats learn to turn them somersaults in the air?"

"I don't know," Grandma replied. "But if you dare to try any tomfoolery like that I'll tan your hide. I don't want you abed with broken bones just at haying time."

Grandma should have known better. Any time you dared A.J. to do something, it was as good as done. He went right out behind the barn, clenched his teeth, leaped in the air, and landed flat on his back. It jarred him breathless. All that day as he worked in the hayfield he pondered how to learn the backward somesault with some degree of safety. At last he solved the problem with a simple "invention."

Grandma's clothesline was always stretched between the privy and an old apple tree. A.J. let out enough slack so that it hung down waist high. He tied himself to the clothesline and tried a back somersault. To his delight it worked.

After practicing prodigiously for several weeks he was sure that he was ready to try it without the safety belt. But to his chagrin, he discovered that he lacked the nerve. He had become a slave to the belt. In later years A.J. told me this story many times and always pointed out the moral: "'Some people go through life wearing a safety belt. Never get up nerve enough to take a chance; stick to the same job all their life; wear rubbers on rainy days; nevr kiss anybody but their wife; vote the straight Republican ticket; then discover it's all over but the funeral and they never had any fun out of life."

One morning A.J. determined to take just one more practice somersault and then, come what might, give it a whirl without the belt. He tied himself firmly in position and gave a confident leap. For some reason he turned only halfway over. The clothesline caught the weight of his body and saved his neck, but the weatherbeaten privy, to which the line was attached, could not take it. With a wooden groan it collapsed. Simultaneously, there was a scream from Grandma.

For an instant she sat frozen amid ruins. Then, eye, she started for ith fire in her one time when he could. This was Grandma's wrath, for h ot escape tied to the clothesline. was still

Grandma had been left a widow with a farm to run and four small sons to rear, all of whom, it was whispered among the neighbors, were slightly tetched. A.J. was the worst.

Even as a boy A.J. had a passion for things that went round and round. His first invention was inspired by a huge wheel from an old high-wheeled bicycle which he purloined from a junk heap. To it he attached a long axle and a couple of old buggy shafts. Then he hung a homemade seat on either side of the wheel.

This uni-sulky, as A.J. called it, could operate only if there were two occupants of about the same weight, and they had to jump into their seats at the same time in order to keep the contraption balanced. One driver had to hold the left rein, the other the right.

A. J. and his brother Joe chose a Sunday morning, before church time, to try out the wonderful vehicle. Dressed in their best, they backed old Bill, the work mule, between the shafts. Then they jumped into their seats and urged Bill down the road and out of Grandma's sight as quickly as possible.

It was probably the most amazing vehicle ever seen on a Kansas highway. Remarkably enough, everything went well for about half a mile, until they came to a crossroad. There, A.J. pulled right while his brother pulled left.

Bill craned his neck around to see what was going on. One look convinced him that he was pulling the devil's own chariot. He snorted and set out across country at top speed.

Each boy dropped his rein and grabbed his seat. After that Bill was on his own. He went through Ed Beem's cornfield, turned south and leaped a barbed-wire fence into Ham Turner's watermelon patch. It was at this fence that Uncle Joe was unseated and hung up by his breeches.

Without Uncle Joe, the uni-sulky veered to starboard like a catboat in a high wind, causing Bill to run in circles. A.J. held on for dear life, bouncing over green watermelons so fast he felt he was riding the Santa Fe ties to Wichita.

Somewhere in the backstretch, the sulky seat broke loose with a hop, skip and jump which landed A.J. amid a tangle of vines. Bill disappeared in the general direction of California.

Grandma, dressed in her black dress and bonnet, was rocking grimly on the front porch when the boys finally hove into view. She took one look at their tattered Sunday best and reached for her hickory switch.

It was late afternoon before they found Bill, grazing peacefully, down by the river The uni-sulky was no longer attached to him. A. J. spent many days searching in vain for the remains.

Inventors sometimes become wealthy, but more often they go bankrupt. For many years A. J. danced a jig between the two, but in the end, to everyone's amazement, he did all right.

His most successful inventions seemed to stem from that huge wheel which was the inspiration for his uni-sulky: they were things that went round and round. His balloon tire, for example, created a new principle in tire construction. It is the fat, low pressure tire which makes it possible for planes to land or take off on rough or muddy fields, reduces ground looping, and eliminates crack-ups due to wheel failure. Unfortunately, he sold his patent before anyone could foresee the enormous production of planes that World War II would bring.

The invention which brought him the greatest financial return is his bicycle coaster brake. "I got the idea for my brake back in 1894." A.J. often told us, "while I was traveling about 90 miles an hour down the slopes of the Rockies on a bicycle."

The story started in Wichita. One morning, A. J. unlocked the bicycle shop he was running and discovered that the alley window was open. Then he noticed that his pride and joy, a red-and-white Peerless bicycle—priced at $125—was missing.

Inquiry at the police station revealed that a stranger, who had skipped out of the local hotel without paying, had been seen the night before high-tailing toward Hutchinson on a Peerless. A. J. hurried over to the bank and drew out $20 for expense money, then climber on his Ariel road-racer.

A.J. was pretty sharp on a bicycle in those days—an ameteur circuit rider. But he soon discovered that his quarry was a fast rider,

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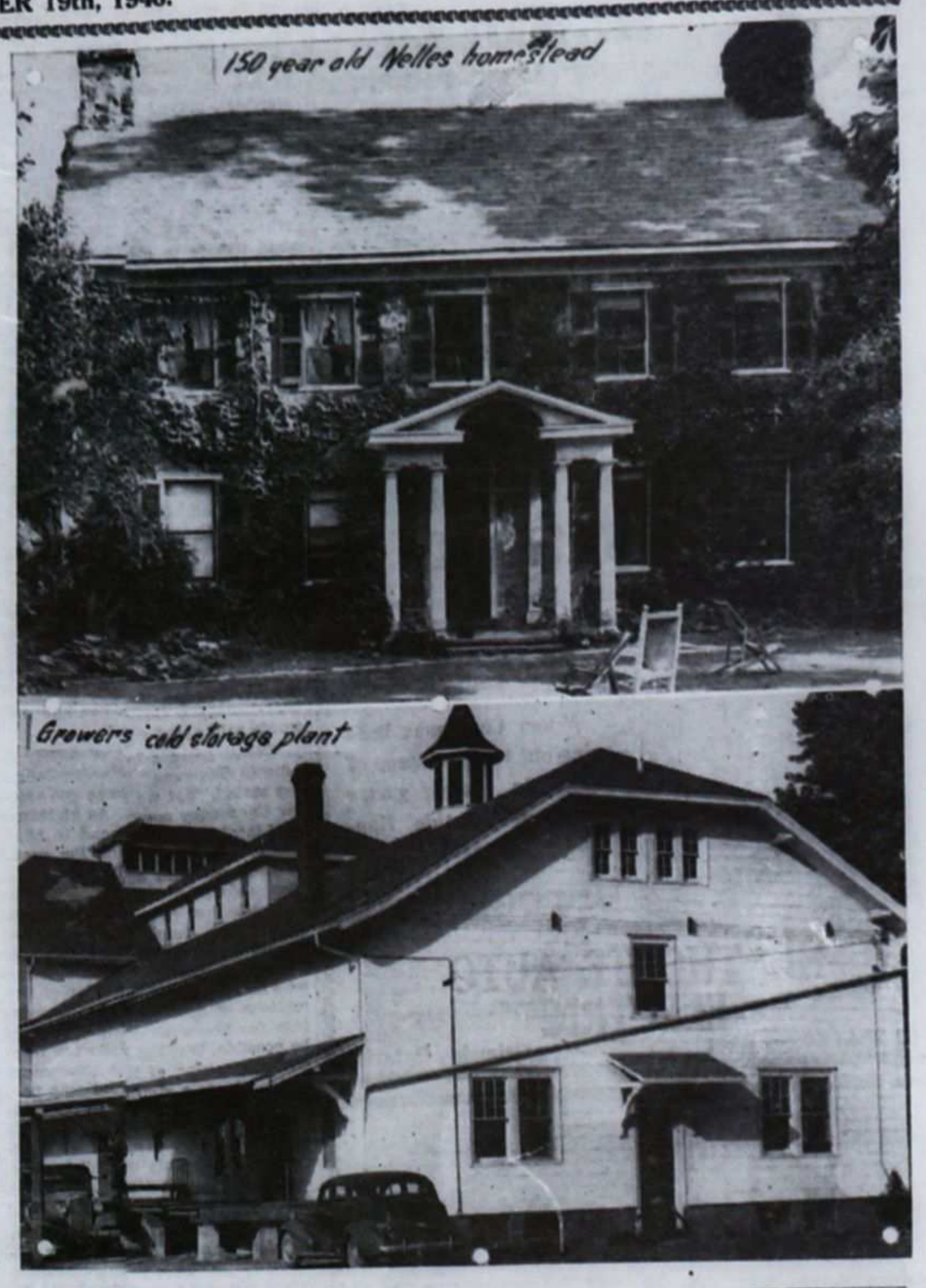

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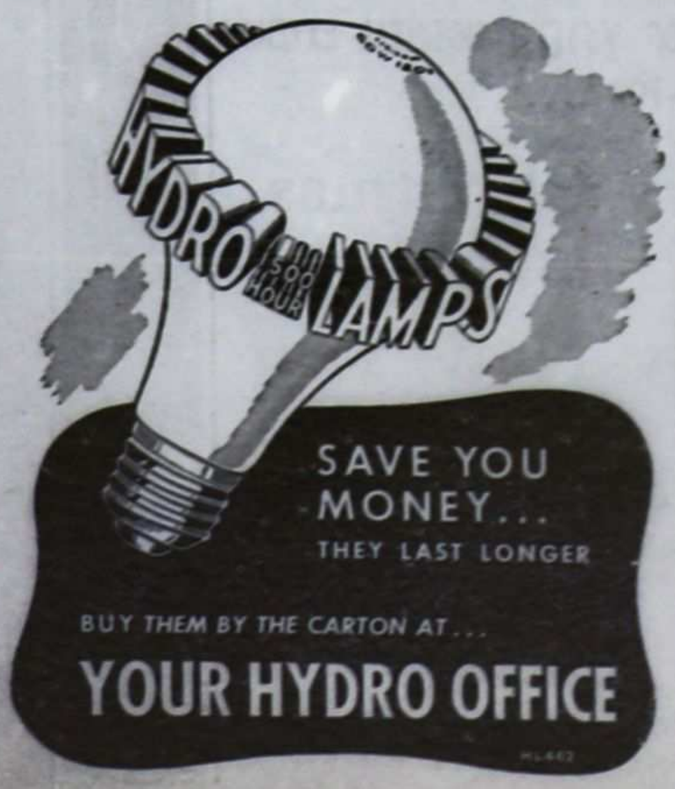

Warden's Banquet

OVER 200 GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Completing what was termed one of the most successful years in the history of Lincoln County, Warden Robert M. Johnston, Reeve of Port Dalhousie, and at 30 years of age one of Canada's youngest wardens, played host to over 200 men from the various municipalities in Lincoln and from St. Catharines at the annual Warden's Banquet held in the Leonard Hotel.

Making his last public address as Warden of Lincoln, Mr. Johnston paid tribute to his council as the "great council of 1946." He pointed proudly to the fact that the council had always stood behind him in every one of his recommendations throughout the year. Warden Johnston, in a brief resume of his work as Warden and that of the county council during the year, drew attention at the opening of his address to the fact that Lincoln had always supported the Lincoln County Citizens' Committee wholeheartedly and still stood ready and prepared financially to set one of one hundred of Lincoln's ex-servicemen on the right track.

Replying to the many words of appreciation voiced for his outstanding leadership during the year by ex-Warden Cecil Secord, Reeve of Grantham, in his toast to the Warden, Mr. Johnston said, "It isn't too many times I've had nice words said about me."

"We've spent a lot of money in Lincoln this year," Warden Johnston stated, "but we have got value for the money spent. As highways go Lincoln stands second to none. I'm proud of them and I'm proud of the men who built them." He also spoke of his deep pride in the council's new chambers and the renovations being made in the county buildings in St. Catharines and paid tribute to the ex-wardens who labored under a burden of two millions of debt that the foundation for the work of today might be possible. Warden Johnston forecast the raising of the assessment in Lincoln as a step that was necessary if the county is to be made a more profitable municipality. He also touched briefly on the work done by the county council for education and the county branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses in 1946.

Concluding his address last night, Warden Johnston called on the citizens of the small municipalities, towns, villages and townships, to elect the right type of men to represent them and to combat those who would like to take our liberties and privileges from us.

At the dinner last night, unique in the history of Lincoln, the Warden was flanked at the head table by his father, Robert H. Johnston of Port Dalhousie, Warden of Lincoln in 1926 and now president of the Ex-Wardens' Association and Thomas O. Johnston, his cousin, Warden of Lincoln in 1916. Both men expressed words of pride and appreciation to the county for the honors conferred on the family in the election of three Johnstons to the high office of Warden.

George Montgomery, Reeve of Clinton Township and chairman of the council's reception committee, presented the Warden with a handsome set of silver during the dinner hour last night on behalf of his fellow-members of the county council. In accepting the gift, Warden Johnston spoke feelingly of the long years of service to the county given by Mr. Montgomery, who is retiring from public office this year. "He is a fine gentleman and he will be greatly missed." Warden Johnston remarked.

The toast to the Ex-Wardens was proposed last night by Reeve W. L. Patterson of Niagara-on-the-Lake and the reply was given by the warden's father, Robert H. Johnston. His Worship Mayor W. J. Macdonald of St. Catharines brought the greetings of the city council and of the city of Lincoln and expressed the hope that the same understanding and co-operation would be seen in the years to come. Short addresses were also given by E. H. Lancaster, K.C., who thanked the county council for all they had done during 1946 on behalf of the veterans of the county; by His Honor Judge J. G. S. Stanbury, K.C., who paid tribute to the county for the work done at the county buildings during the year, and by Ex-Warden Fred C. Haynes of Grantham Township, Warden in 1925. N. J. M. Lockhart M.P. for Lincoln County, spoke briefly with words of praise for the council and words of warning for the necessity that men in governing bodies keep their feet on the ground. The Hon. Charles Daley, Minister of Labor, was unable to be present and Senator J. J. Bench, K.C., sent his best wishes and regrets at being unable to attend.

County Clerk-Treasurer W. H. Millward acted as chairman for the occasion and introduced the guests to the large gathering. Following The King and the delicious turkey dinner, Jack Challes led the singsongs with Doug Stoddart at the piano, and Art Slingerland and his troupe provided the entertainment of the evening.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Dear Lord, I ask Thee
For this New Year,
An extra gift of courage
My little trials to bear.
I ask not for success;
For wealth or fame or power;
I ask for added faith
To live life, hour by hour.
Give me kindly thought, Lord,
To use for charity.
I want no gold to give,
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The outstanding features of the Act are:

1. For the first time, our naturalization statute states that a Canadian citizen is a British subject.

2. A native-born Canadian, or a British subject domiciled in Canada, brides of Canadian servicemen, and all those who now possess naturalization certificates, are declared to be Canadian citizens immediately.

3. The bill provides for the establishmet and recognition of Canadian citizenship. Formerly the only definition of Canadian citizenship was to be found in the Immigration Act. In future, all Canadian passports will carry the words, "Canadian citizen," a right which in various circumstances was not general before.

4. The Bill maintains and recognizes the status of British subject with the advantage that Canadian citizenship papers will be supplied upon request after the legal period of residence. Once in possession of citizenship papers they will have the right of entry into Canada and the right to Canadian diplomatic protection.

5. Women who marry Canadians will qualify for Canadian citizenship one year after establishing residence.

6. Recognition of the status of British subjects is shown in clauses which provide that all British subjects now in Canada are declared to be Canadian citizens. Certificates will be issued upon application. Non-Canadian British subjects coming to Canada will obtain certificates in the same way after establishing legal residence. No court room ceremony will be necessary.

7. The Bill recognizes the right of women to decide their own nationality. Previously women have been classed as persons under a disability and automatically assumed the nationality of their husbands. A Canadian woman who marries a man of any other nationality may retain Canadian citizenship if she so wishes.

8. Non-Canadians who served in the Canadian armed forces outside of Canada, qualify for citizenship after one year of such service.

9. Naturalized Canadians will lose their citizenship if they stay out of Canada for a period of six years or more. Canadian citizenship can be retained in such cases only by a official endorsement on a passport or certificate of citizenship.

10. The Bill provides for encouragement of education in citizenship for those applying for naturalization. It is intended that the ceremony of naturalization shall be conducted with fitting dignity and solemnity.

DAILY PRAYER

Author Unknown

"This coming year I'd like to be a friend to everyone;
I'd like to feel each day well spent at setting of the sun;
I'd like to know that I have done at least one kindly deed,
Before I lay me down to sleep that I have given heed—
To some one's cry for sympathy, or friendship or that I
Have made the day seem brighter to some chance passer-by,
And that the world is better still in just some little way,
Because I've tried to live the very best I could each day.

"I'd like to be a ray of light when skies are overcast,
I'd like to help some one who failed to blot out all the past,
To start again despite the storms, and find the skies are blue,
To know that in this good old world there's lots that's fine and true,
I'd like to be the kind of person everyone will love,
And make the world seem just a little more like heaven above;
I'd like in all my dealings to be true and just and fair,
That God will help me do these things shall be my daily prayer."

BEAR GIFTS

Angels sent by the Christ Child, presents to Hungarian children bring pr[illegible]t is, if they have been dren—they believe the angels are good. T[illegible]long before Christmas. If listeningsters happen to find bits the yuwel on the floor they are certain of tinsf it, as this is angels' hair.

APPLE CUSTOM

Apples play a great role in customs. In parts of Christmas they are pared and the England taken off in one spiral, is peeling, over the left shoulder, thrown o[illegible] has it that the peeling Tradition the initial of the person will form parer is destined to marwhom the ry.

"DOUG" SCOTT
THE FISHING TACKLE MAN
— SAYS —

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9:00 am—Carol Singing
5:30 p.m.—Santa Claus.

CHRISTMAS EVE

9:00 a.m.—Carol Singing.
12:00 midnight—Annual Christmas Carol Programme—Columbia Symphony Orchestra and chorus.

CHRISTMAS DAY

10:00 a.m.—His Majesty the King's Christmas Message.
11:00 a.m.—St. Thomas' Church Christmas Service — Solemn Eucharist and Procession.
1:30 p.m.—"The Littlest Angel" —Loretta Young.
3:30 p.m.—Christmas Overseas Broadcast.
4:00 p.m.—Two Hours of Stars.
7:15 p.m.—Jack Smith.
8:00—Jack Carson.
8:30 p.m.—Home on the Range.
9:00 p.m.—"Pickwick Papers"—Charles Laughton.
10.30 p.m.—Information Please.
11.30 p.m.—Invitation to Music—C.B.S. Symphony Orchestra special Christmas programme.

Immediately after ringing the New Year in at 12:00 midnight C.F.R.B. will bring to its listeners four hours of solid dance music featuring such name bands as Jimmy Dorsey, Tex Beneke and the Glen Miller orchestra, Cab Calloway, Johnny Long, Buddy Clarke, Charlie Spivak and Del Courtney.

HORSES LEARN FASTER THAN HUMAN BEINGS

The highest paid "college dean" in the country is not a professor at Yale, or even at Harvard. He is a horse trainer who operates 20th Century-Fox's Dramatic Academy for Horses at Northridge, Calif.

Jack Lindell is his name, and his star pupil, a "summa cum laude" graduate of the academy, is holder of the title role in 20th Century-Fox's stirring Technicolor triumph, "Smoky," which comes to the Roxy Theatre Christmas Day, Thursday and Friday, December 25, 26, 27, starring Fred MacMurray.

Lindell teaches no fancy tricks —only straight emotions such as joy, grief, terror, etc. Using his arms in semaphore fashion, he signals his horses from behind the camera. And at a wave from him, they will charge toward the camera, step on a twig, rear into the air, glance in any direction, nudge the actors, run away, fall "dead," prick up their ears, or act out anything the scenarist has written into the script

"Horses learn faster than humans," declared Lindell, "and 'Smoky' learned faster than any horse I've ever trained. He really has a difficult part in the picture, but it took him relatively little time to understand what was expected of him."

LULLABY FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

See, little fellow, how the stars
Have snowflaked down to deck the tree!
They thread with colored yarns of light
Each needle of the greenery.

The Christmas angel, glistening
High upon the topmost twig,
Will stitch a slumber robe for you
Of gossamer and holly sprig.

So sleep and dream of Teddy bears,
Electric trains and builder sets.
For boys, with daddies home from war,
There's nothing Santa Claus forgets.

And should his pack, in future years
Seem full of struggle or despair,
You'll find he always leaves some room
For courage and for honor there.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

It as been the custom from the beginning of the Republic for the President of the United States to welcome the New Year by holding a reception open to the general public.

On the first New Year's day after his inauguration President Washington opened his home to receive the people. Throughout the seven years which Washington lived in Philapelphia as the capital of the nation, he continued this custom.

SAME OLD SANTA

Same old Santa, same old joys,
Same old dolls, and sleds and toys;
Same old holly, same old tree,
Same old gifts for cherubs wee;
Same old carol, same old light,
Same old stockings hung at night;
Same old words of merry cheer,
Same good wishes for the year.
Same old Christmas! Seems to me
That's the way it ought to be.

If you can make better clap-trap than your neighbor, the world will also build a path to your door.

ST. NICK VISITS SALESGIRL

'Twas the night before Christmas when all through the flat
Not a creature was stirrin' (include me in that);
My stockin's, a little the worse for the wear,
Was hung on the back of a three-legged chair;
Outside snow was fallin' in beautiful flakes,
But I didn't care—I was too full of aches;
I'd worked in a store through the holiday strife,
And was plannin' to sleep for the rest of my life,
When up from the airshaft there came such a clatter
I leaped out of bed to see what was the matter;
(I thought at the time 'twas a nut down one flight,
Who starts up his radio late ev'ry night);
So I went to the window and loudly did cry,
"Is this Christmas Eve or the Fourth of July?"
When what to my dead-with-sleep eyes did appear
But a hinky-dink sleigh and eight tiny reindeer!
And who should be drivin' right up to the door
But one of them masquerade guys from the store!

* * *

I said to myself, "What can be this guy's game?"
When he clucked to his reindeer and called 'em by name:
"Now Dasher! Now Dancer! Now Prancer! Now Vixen!
On Comet! On Cupid! On Donder and Blitzen!"
An' just as I'm dopin' what next he will do,
Right up to the housetop the whole outfit flew!
And then in a twinklin' I heard on the roof
The prancin' and pawin' of meat on the hoof;
(Just imagine my feelings, with sleep nearly dead
And some sap with an animal act overhead!)

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As I drew in my neck and was turnin' around,
Down the chimney my visitor came with a bound;
A big bag of junk he displayed with a grin,
And he acted to me like he'd like to move in.
He was chubby, good natured and oozin' with glee,
But I ask you, dear reader, what was it to me?
The point that I make is 'twas then 2 o'clock,
And a man in my room without stoppin' to knock!

* * *

I was thinkin' how noivy he was and how slick
When he says to me, "Lady, I'm only St. Nick."
Well, a poor tired store slave in no mood for fun,
I gave him a look and I asked him, "which one?"
"As a Christmas rush salesgirl," I said, "you'll agree
That a look at St. Nick is no big treat to me;
This has gone far enough and this bunk's gotta stop—
Take the air with them goats or I'll yell for a cop!"

* * *

He spoke not a word but went on with his work,
And filled up my stockin's, then turned with a jerk,
And layin' a finger aside his red nose,
And givin' a nod, up the airshaft he rose . . .
He sprang to his sleigh with a shake of his head,
And I pulled the shades down and fell into bed.

* * *

"Merry Christmas!" he called as away his deer flew,
And I just gave a yawn and I answers, "Sez you!"

NEW YEAR'S COMPLIMENTS

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WHEELS IN HIS HEAD

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too. For when A.J. arrived at Great Bend, about nine o'clock that night, the Peerless had been there and gone. A.J. had to stop at every crossroad and make inquiries, but the trail stayed, as he put it, "hotter'n an iron pump handle in August."

A few days later A.J. reached Colorado Springs.

"Saw a fellow ridin' a bike toward Cripple Creek this morning," a policeman there told him.

A.J. headed for Cripple Creek. The last ten miles were so steep a climb he had to get off and push. And when he got there nobody had seen the Peerless.

A.J. was tired, defeated, 600 miles from home. His one consoling thought was that he would be able to coast all the way back to Colorado Springs.

Before he was half a mile out of town he began gaining speed faster than a hound-dog with a hive of bees on his tail. In those days a cyclist used to brake by slipping one toe under the frame and pressing on the front tire. A. J. tried that. But the friction made the sole of his shoe fiery hot. He jerked his foot from beneath the frame and gravity took charge once more. It was time to think of something ingenious. But the only idea he could contrive was to fall off. He hit the dirt with a thud, bounced off the road and fetched up against a scrub pine 50 feet down the mountainside.

When he regained his wind he sat up and began to think. Presently he invented his first brake. He cut several pine branches and tied them together at the end of a rope fastened to his saddle so that the branches dragged behind on the road. This proved just enough brake to keep things under control. He went down the mountain throwing up a dust cloud big enough for 30 head of cattle.

For about six miles A. J. was mighty proud of his invention; then a deputy sheriff halted him.

A.J.'s device was an infringement of the law. Wagon freighters had invented the drag brake years before. The trouble was that it ruined good roads, so the state had passed a law against it. A. J. had to wire back to Wichita for money to pay his fine.

"And that's one reason," A. J. has often remarked, "that I conceived the idea of putting a coaster brake on a bicycle."

The idea was a long time hatching. It was 13 years before he applied for a patent. But since 1908, 5,000000 bicycles have been equipped with A. J.'s coaster brake. Even Grandma had to admit that somehow "one of Alvey's fool inventions turned out purty good."

Soon after my arrival in this world I inspired one of A.J.'s most extraordinary inventions. Mother refused to be responsible for my behavior between midnight and six in the morning. "I spend 18 hours a day taking care of your son" she said. "You can take care of him the other six."

But A. J. liked his sleep; sitting shivering in a semistupor as he rocked my cradle set his creative mind to thinking.

A few days later he brought home his latest invention, Rock-a-Baby, the Electric Nurse—a small electric motor which operated a belt driven rocking device attached to my crib. "It's got hand rocking skinned to death," A. J. assured Mother, then quoted from the advertisements he had already planned: "By a simple adjustment it can be regulated to the individual personality and temperament of any infant. Once this adjustment is made, it will rock the cradle with scientific exactness at all times."

That night my squawk came on schedule. A. J. flipped the switch, and Rock-a-Baby went into action. In three minutes I was snoozing peacefully.

Next day A. J. dropped into Vic Murdock's office at the Eagle. Vic listened to him with growing interest. From the latest census reports he estimated that the United States should produce about 2,500,000 babies a year.

"This is tremendous," Vic assured A.J. "How about forming a company right here in Wichita to manufacture the Rock-a-Baby?"

"If we sell it at $10, for only one out of every ten babies born, that would be a gross business of $2,500,000," A. J. enthused.

Next day the Eagle carried a headline: WICHITA TO ROCK THE WORLD. Within a few days Rock-a-Baby was the talk of the town. The president of the bank invited A. J. into his private office for a talk. Even the mayor stopped on the street to congratulate him.

A few nights later the blow fell. I let out my first howl; A. J. turned on the Electric Nurse. As the cradle began to rock, my cries faded and he sighted happily, thinking of the millions that would soon be rolling in.

But at that moment there was a loud crash, followed by my hysterical screams. The drive belt had slipped its pulley, toppling the cradle and me onto the floor, almost breaking my neck.

Next day A. J. took Rock-a-Baby back to the shop. It stayed there.

A. J. had a pal, Sid, who left town to become an actor. One summer Sid came back to Wichita with the Brooklyn All-Star Stock Company. A. J. revealed to him his latest brain storm. "Mum's the word, kid," A. J. warned. "I haven't even shown this one to my wife. People hereabouts are sort of prudish, you know. But I figger you've been around and can understand the possibilities in a gadget like this!"

Sid gazed at A. J.'s experimental model with an expression both fascinated and amazed.

"Is this — I mean these — what I think they are?" he asked.

"Yep," A. J. answered, proudly. "I'm going to call it the 'La Mode Pneumatic Bosom.' How do you think they will sell in New York?"

"Like hot cakes," Sid assured him. "Especially in Brooklyn. How do the damn things work?"

"You blow 'em up with a bicycle pump. Gives you any size from maidenly to voluptuous."

Sid shook his head sadly. "You are a traitor to your sex, A. J.," he declared. "No man will be safe in the future. Just imagine the postnuptial disappointment of some poor deluded fool when he discovers that his young bride's form divine is the product of a bicycle pump. Let's go over to Joe's Place and forget it."

After two bottles of beer, A. J. regretfully agreed.

Most of A. J.'s ideas were inspired by some simple observation. Or he might get an idea simply because he needed such a device for his own use. For instance, when he found a monkey wrench unsatisfactory for bicycle repair work, he designed a wrench with several fixed openings which would fit every nut on a bicycle. It sold for a quarter, in amazing quantities. Many of his inspirations paid off. But many—like his Tearless Onion Peeler, Safety Nonskid Bathtub and Pneumatic Auto Bumper—did not. Some of these ideas would occupy his mind for weeks before he would start work on them or abandon them as impractical.

One day after Lindbergh had made his flight to Paris, A. J. and I had lunch together. It was obvious that he had something on his mind.

"The perfect shape for an airplane tire," he said suddenly, "is a sphere, with opposite points pushed in so that that it looks like a big doughnut."

"Then why don't they make them that shape?"

"They say it can't be done."

Through the remainder of lunch he stared into space.

He had planned on playing golf that afternoon. Instead he drove straight home.

"What's the matter?" Mother asked, fearing that he might be ill.

"Nothing. Got an old piece of muslin?"

"What are you trying to make?" she asked.

"A tire."

They went upstairs and Mother sewed up an old flour sack according to A. J.'s directions. The result was a large sleve with a wide hem at each end. A. J. cut a hole in each hem and slipped drawstrings though them. The sleeve now looked like a big tobacco sack with drawstrings at both ends instead of one.

A. J. then set out to make an inner tube for his casing. He cut several wedge-shaped bands from old auto tires and patched the the pieces together with rubber cement. This edious task took until

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In extending our wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year we take this opportunity to thank our friends for the confidence they have shown in our services year after year. May the coming year bring everyone happiness and success.

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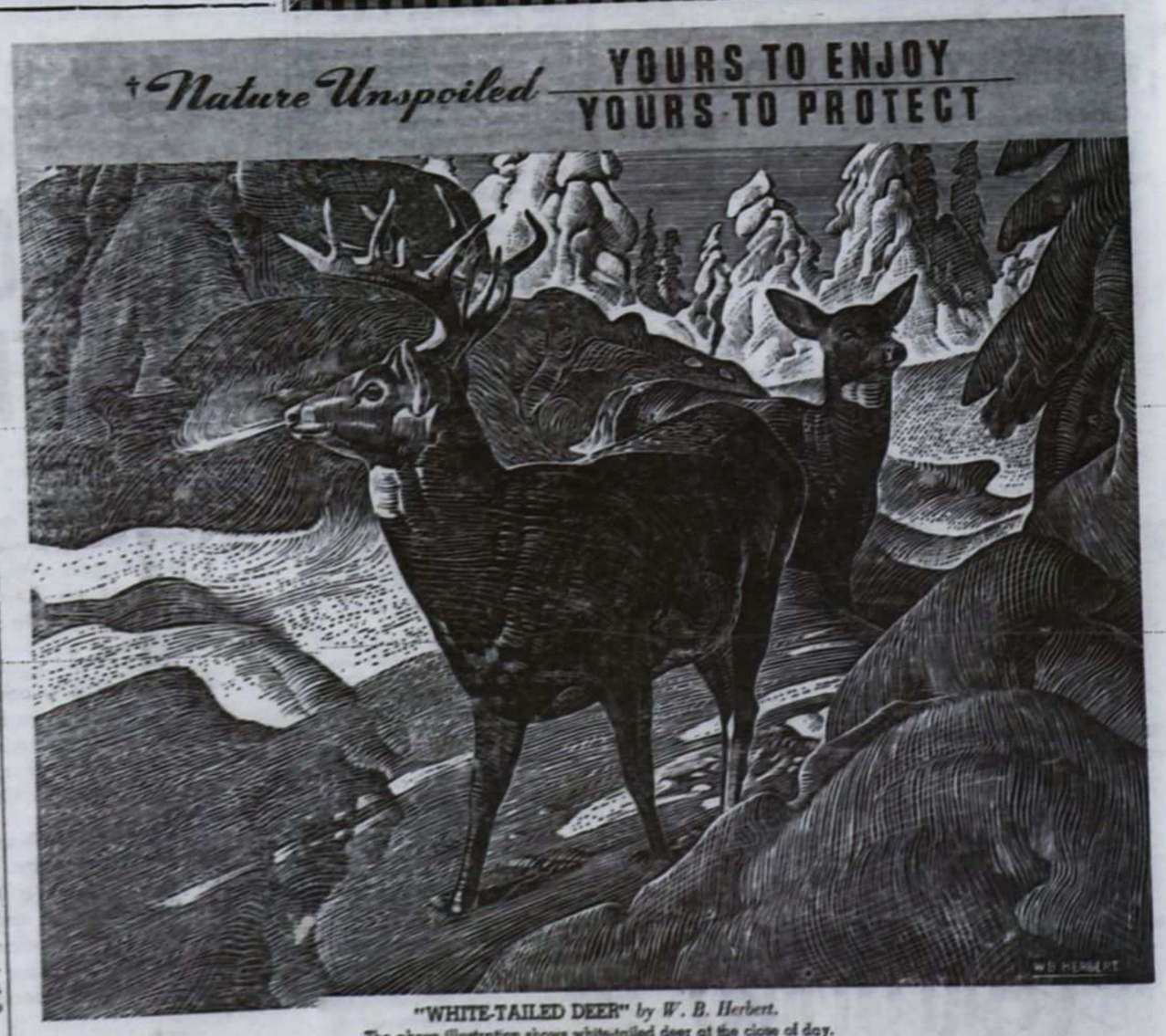

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almost ten o'clock that night. The finished tube was a messy, misshapen affair, with a bicycle valve projecting from the side.

A. J. stuffed the inner tube into the muslin tire carcass and pulled the valve through a hole. He then wrapped the tire around an old bicycle hub and pulled his drawstrings together, so that it was gathered tightly inside the flanges of the hub. It was a ridiculous looking object.

At this moment, Mother came down the basement steps. "It's bedtime," she announced.

"I've just finished," A. J. answered, "and I think I've got it."

"Got what?" asked Mother.

"The first real balloon tire!"

"Does a balloon need tires?" Mother inquired.

A. J. explained patiently what he meant and then handed Mother a bicycle pump which he had connected to the valve. "Just pump," he instructed, "and you'll see."

As she pumped and the tire slowly bulged out into a big fat doughnut, A. J.'s face took on an expression of delight.

At that precise moment, the tire exploded in his face. Mother dropped the pump and regarded the remains with a just-as-I-expected expression. But A. J. wasn't perturbed.

"Sure it blew up," he admitted. "But it won't when I make it out of tire fabric, cover it with rubber, and vulcanize it."

A. J. was excited. He had invented a method of tire construction that even the big tire research laboratories had failed to discover.

He spent weeks building an experimental model for laboratory tests. It was 20 inches in diameter, with a cross section of ten inches, and tests showed that two tires would support a 3000-pound plane with only ten pounds of air pressure. Tires then in use on such planes were 30 inches in diameter, with a cross-section of five inches, and the required air pressure was 50 pounds.

A. J. was like a child with a new toy. "Isn't she a beauty?" he would say. "Pretty enough to hang in the Art Institute."

When the patent application had been filed, A.J. drove to the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company at Akron, Ohio. He was a total stranger, but he asked to see the head of the development department. A few minutes later a group of engineers were examining the tire with envious appreciation. That same week A .J. signed a license agreement and a contract as research engineer in charge of the development of his own tire.

When A. J. came home and told Mother that his ridiculous muslin contraption had turned out to be worth a lot of money, she was pleased but skeptical.

"How can those people in Akron be so sure your tire will work on an airplane?" she asked.

"Don't you think it will work?" A. J. demanded.

"I hope so," she confided, thoughtfully, "but I keep worrying about the way that first one blew up."

CELEBRATING AT CHRISTMAS TIME

Christmas was first celebrated in the year 98, but it was 40 years later before it was officially adopted as a Christian festival; nor was it until about the fifth century that the day of its celebration became permanently fixed on the 25th of December. Up to that time it had been irregularly observed at various times of the year—in December, in April and in May, but most frequently in January.

NEW YEAR'S EVE FOR SCOTSMEN

Christmas never aroused much enthusiasm in Scotland — but on New Year's eve the Wassail bowl goes around, filled with savory liquid nostaligically fragrant.

Floating atop the Wassail bowl, apples stir memories of the "apple-howling" when boys switched the trunks of fruit trees petitioning "a good howling crop"; somehow, the "lamb's wool" (as the decoction of the Wassal bowl is often called) seems reminiscent of young folks rushing to the nearest spring at the stroke of 12 to drink the "cream of the well"— the first one so doing, might expect good luck during the ensuing year.

Handsel Monday — the Monday after New Year's, is traditionally the "big Day" for Scotch boys and girls: and, in addition to being the Scotch day of gift-giving, it is a day of feasting and gaiety.

Small wonder, that families and friends gather on New Year's eve to

"Drink a cup of kindness yet
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Some time ago the International Standard Electrical Corporation, of London, England, made comprehensive tests to determine which of four languages was the most intelligible. The test consisted of sending a large number of specific sentence statements over the telephone and observing what per cent of the sentences in each language was correctly received.

The ranking of the languages as a result of this test put Italian at the head of the list, German, English and French trailing in that order.

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The corporation conducted a different test with a view to determining which language would convey a given number of ideas in the shortest time. Curiously enough, in this test the languages ranked in precisely the reverse order to that given in the intelligibility test. More ideas per minute could be conveyed in French than in any of the others tested. Second on this list was English, with German third, and Italian fourth.

The telephone quality of a language is of real importance in the Old World, where there is considerable wire communication between countries with different languages.

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Mountain, and coral strand,
Old Santa brings his
Christmas cheer
To his friends of every land.

LET'S ALL BE MERRY

"Be merry all, be merry all,
With holly dress the festive hall;
Prepare the song, the feast, the ball,
To welcome Merry Christmas."

In a world changing almost daily, this one festive season lasts, and will last, to bring us a feeling of sameness which each year becomes a pleasant memory or a joyous anticipation. Christmas will always be with us, bringing us something that no other season brings.

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SPORTOLOGY

(By Bones Livingston, Sportologist)

MERRY CHRISTMAS — — — — HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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THE OLDMAN IS SATISFIED—GEORGETOWN PAPERMAKERS came to the FRUIT BELT last Friday night, tarried a while, helped give the hockey fans a thrilling evening and then wended their way home todream about their success in licking the PEACH KINGS. Will they be dreamig that way two months from now? OLD POP McVICAR and his water bucket boys JOE HANDS and MIKE SWEET, say NO, most emphatically. KINGS took a loss at the hands of the PAPERMAKERS but it was not a loss to worry about. They were not licked. They were not outclassed. They were right in there battling and against a team that was good enough to be last years finalists. A team that knows every more of one another. A team that through three years of training is a right smart cohesive aggregation. Yet the KINGS for two-thirds of the evening dominated the play. Led in the scoring and skated just as fast and at times faster. PAPERMAKERS are a made team. KINGS are still in the experimental stage. Yet the boys from Georgetown had no great big edge. OLD POP is satisfied. He is not figuring on today. His vision is the end of next March. That is when the chips are down and you can bet your last doughnut hole that POP, PUD and the FATHER will be right there with the KINGS doing a little collecting. The game was a sweet one to watch and the fans got a lot of kick out of it. The old BLACK HORSE had a terrible evening shifting his lines around. Trying at times to make defencemen out of forwards and forwards out of defencemen. Sometimes successful. Sometimes not so good. But by the time he gets done shifting he will have something. I hope that the local punters had sense enough to keep the elastic on the bankroll. They were given fair warning.

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PARIS IS COMING TO TOWN—They have come before, those fast skating GREEN SHIRTS. They gave the KINGS a terrible battle last winter in order for them to win the local group. They are just as formidable a team this winter, maybe a little bit more so. At their head is an old Grimsby boy, HARRY FAIR, who learned his hockey, and learned it well, on Arena ice. Spent five years chasing Hitler around Europe and came home, not in too good a shape, but good enough to scramble a bunch of kids together last winter and produce a pretty fairish hockey team. HARRY does not claim that his team is the best in this neck of the woods but he does say that they will take a lot of beating. Tomorrow night is the night. See the KINGS in their third experimental exhibition game. They have given you a lot of kicks so far, they will give you more tomorrow night.

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STILL HAS NO SENSE—Away back in the days when GRIMSBY needed a lot of things, among which was an ice arena, there was living in this town a young druggist by the name of LESLIE JOHN FARRELL, commonly known to a lot of us as JIMMY HOEHANDLE. Well, anahoo, LES was always an ardent sport fan. He was the moving spirit behind the erection of the present ARENA and he also organized and backed many other lines of sport. At the present time he is a successful druggist in the shoe factory town of Batawa, but he still has no sense in his noodle. He is still tangled up in sport. The following item from the SPORT PANORAMA column in the TRENTON COURIER-ADVOCATE speaks for itself:

> The appointment of Les Farrell, of Trenton, as Secretary of the League, is a very popular one. "Les" has long been an enthusiastic sportsman, and has taken a very active part in sports promotion. He also comes from a family of notable sportsmen. He is one of the founders and a very active member of the Quinte Game and Fisheries Protective Association. He will do a fine job of the Trent Valley League.
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> Poor boy.

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THIS — THAT — TOTHER — You are going to have to get along without this column next week. . . . TOM WARNER has a letter from JACK CLANCY who is playing hockey in Scotland. From the tone of it it looks like the Irish kid wishes he was back home. He is making good over there, but still he would like "to be a Rink Rat again." . . . . DOROTHY says that she wishes it was April already so soon. She claims that OLD POP plays from 12 to 14 hockey games every night in his sleep. . . . It was President PEP SHEPHERD of the KINGS executive committee who provided the names and numbers programs for the Thorold game and PETTIT and WHYTE for the GEORGETOWN game. It was a smart idea and helped the fans a lot in picking out the newcomers on the team. A handsome advertising program carrying the names and numbers of both the KINGS and the visiting team, also write-ups of old time KINGS will be issued for every game when the O.H.A. group starts. These programs will be free to all. . . . . BERT SMITH of SMITH'S RESTAURANT who has been conducting the refreshment booth in the ARENA for lo, so many years, is still giving away his profits. At each and every game that the KINGS play SMITTY is Johnny-on-the-spot with a case of soft drinks for the boys. Thanks a million times, so say the boys. . . . Bought your ticket on those occasioonal chairs that the LEGION boys are offering for Christmas gifts Better do it quick. The drawing takes place tomorrow night at the ARENA between periods of the PARIS-PEACH KINGS game. . . . Jot this information down in your book. THE BOWLAWAY will be closed on Christmas Day. The ARENA will be closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's Day, but will be open New Year's Eve for a grand old time skating party. Sharpen up those blades. . . . FRUIT BELT league went into action on Monday night. TOM COLLINS, impresario of the group figures that the league this year will be stronger than ever. They play every Monday night, three games. While it is hectic hockey, it is entertaining hockey. Give the boys a little support. OLD TOM WARNER and his side kick MUSH MILLER are coaching the LEGION team from GRIMSBY in this league and according to TOM they are already the champions. . . . If GEORGE MARR lives through this already mild winter, then Niagara Packers should give him six week's holidays next spring. No ice anywhere except in artificial ice rinks. GRIMSBY ARENA being so well known through the PEACH KINGS and the fact that it always has keen, fast ice, is causing hockey teams from all points of the compass to call up and ask for ice space for practice. If GEORGE and OLD TOM had three arenas right now they could keep them all busy. All good coin of the realm for GRIMSBY, because those visitors all spend a

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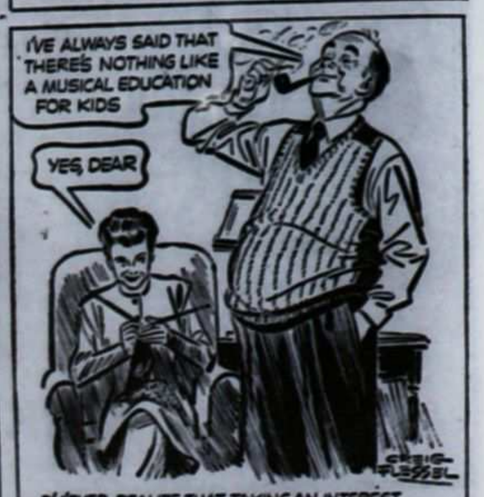
"Hold up you say — well could you stall him for fifteen minut — we're on our coffee time."

D'J'EVER?

DJ'EVER MUMBLE TO YOURSELF WHEN THE SON BEGINS HIS PIANO PRACTICE JUST AS YOU START TO READ YOUR NEWSPAPER —

AND JUST AS YOU GET SETTLED IN ANOTHER PART OF THE HOUSE, THE DAUGHTER DECIDES IT'S TIME FOR HER VIOLIN LESSON —

BUT SOME MONTHS LATER WHEN THEY BOTH TAKE FIRST PRIZE AT THE SCHOOL CONCERT, YOU FEEL AS PROUD AS PUNCH.....



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SPORTOLOGY

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little. In the meantime the hair on GEORGE'S brow is growing. . . . TOM COLLINS got his FRUIT BELT league away on Monday night when three hard battled games were a flying start was certainly a full evenings entertainment and the fans run off. It was out of it. BEACHES took the WINONA boys by a score a great kick while GRIMSBY LEGION took it on the chin 3-2 at the hands of 3-MOUNT HOPE. STONEY CREEK defeated FULTON 4-1. This league play every Monday night. Three games for the price of one. . . . FRUIT BELT group in the intermediate "B" series of the O.H.A. has always been a tough group and any team that won it generally won the championship or went through to the finals. From the present outlook it is going to be just as tough a group this year. The grouping is now Port Colborne Legion; Dunnville; Oakville Legion; Port Dalhousie Legion; Thorold and the one and only PEACH KINGS. My advice to the take-a-chance boys is to look these other teams over before they start flipping their sawbucks around.

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RED GRAHAM IS A HOODOO—Hectical things happened at THE BOWLAWAY on Monday night. A week ago GAS HOUSE looked like a bunch of King's Platers. Monday night they looked like a herd of mullinger heifers bogged down in the mud after the FARMERS got done with them. They sure gave RAHN and his gang a sweet larruping. RED GRAHAM who last week undertook to be the GAS HOUSE mascot was on the job but he was more of a jinx than a help. . . . PONY EXPRESS led by those two-gun totters WILD BILL HAND and LITTLE JOE HANDS the wrangler, with plenty of notches on their poker fins, are sure going to town this season. They have made a clean sweep of their last four games. . . . Despite the fact that HAMMY FOX bowled a 770 riple his team, the GENERALS, took a 3-1 lacing at the hands of the MOUNTAINEERS. . . . Poor old PIRATES going nowhere fast and LITTLE WHIZZER is going with them. . . .

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A television set in front of the player's easy chair would follow the progress of the bowl.

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Grimsby Men's Bowling Scores

Foundry	1052	966	1053—0
Firemen	1136	1066	1066—4
Pin Twisters	911	895	1123—2
Farmers	942	1059	915—2
Pony Express	904	1033	1121—4
Firemen		1002	934—0
Generals	947	1080	937—1
Mountaineers	1064	1124	811—3
Pirates	922	1081	905—2
Sheet Metal	1038	855	949—2
Gas House	836	1044	1066—0
Farmers	1266	1142	1134—4

Peach Queen's Bowling Scores

Elberta	580	493	630—1
Victory	658	690	624—2
Vedette	775	767	793—2
Valiant	771	833	768—1
Vimy	794	992	933—2
Ad Dewey	747	824	945—1
Crawford	662	873	636—0
Veteran	791	879	854—3
South Haven	694	659	602—0
Golden Drop	796	678	707—3
St. John	791	754	913—1
John Hail	813	766	742—2

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Ladies' Schedule

Wednesday, Jan. 8th
7.30—St. John vs. Vedette.
7.30—Ad. Dewey vs. Veterans.

Thursday, Jan. 9th
7.30—Victory vs. G. Drop.
7.30—S. Haven vs. Elbertas.
9.00—Crawford vs. Vimy.
9.00—Valiant vs. John Hail.

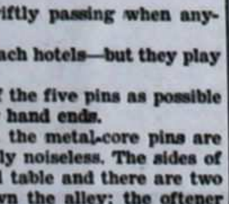
Men's Schedule

Monday, Jan. 6th
7.30—Gas House vs. Black Cats.
7.30—Pirates vs Mountaineers.
9.00—Firemen vs. Lumber Kings.
9.00—Wonders vs. Iron Dukes.

Tuesday, Jan. 7th
7.30—Generals vs. Monarchs.
7.30—Farmers vs. Peach Kings.
9.00—Boulevard vs. Sheet Metal.
9.00—St. Andrew's vs. P. Twisters.

Wednesday, Jan. 8th
9.00—West End vs. Pony Express.
9.00—East End vs. Foundry.

Ho, hum! A woman is seldom too busy to accept a social invitation.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December 23rd—
7 p.m.—Fulton vs. Grimsby
8 p.m.—Beaches vs. Mt. Hope.
9 p.m.—Winona vs. Stoney C.
December 30th—
7 p.m.—Stoney C. vs. Beaches.
8 p.m.—Winona vs. Grimsby
9 p.m.—Fulton vs. Mt. Hope
January 6th
7 p.m.—Stoney C. vs. Mt. Hope
8 p.m.—Winona vs. Fulton
9 p.m.—Grimsby vs. Beaches
January 13th—
7 p.m.—Winona vs. Mt. Hope
8 p.m.— Grimsby vs. Stoney C.
9 p.m.—Beaches vs. Fulton.
January 20th—
7 p.m.—Winona vs. Beaches
8 p.m.—Stoney C. vs. Fulton
9 p.m.—Grimsby vs. Mt. Hope
January 27th—
7 p.m.—Fulton vs. Grimsby.
8 p.m.—Beaches vs. Mt. Hope.
9 p.m.—Winona vs. Stoney C.
February 3rd—
7 p.m.—Stoney C. vs. Beaches.
8 p.m.—Winona vs. Grimsby
9 p.m.—Fulton vs. Mt. Hope.
February 10th—
7 p.m.—Stoney C. vs. Mt. Hope
8 p.m.—Winona vs. Fulton
9 p.m.—Grimsby vs. Beaches
February 17th—
7 p.m.—Winona vs. Mt. Hope
8 p.m.Grimsby vs. Stoney C.
9 p.m.—Beaches vs. Fulton

"COSMIC PUNCH" NOVA MAKES SCREEN DEBUT

From the spotlights of fight arenas to the klieg lights of Hollywood is quite a jump. But fighter Lou Nova, currently turned actor in 20th Century-Fox's "Somewhere In The Night," which stars John Hodiak and Nancy Guild and showing at the Roxy to-night and tomorrow night, made it—with ease.

The one-time contender for the heavyweight title, some-time student of Yogi and inventor of the "cosmic punch" has come to the conclusion that acting has several advantages over boxing although he has not given up completely on the latter.

"Certainly movie work is less rigorous," explained Lou who has faced the loaded fists of Joe Louis, Baer and Tony Galento to Max ion a few, "and I might even say less dangerous. You know when a man goes into the ring against Joe Lewis, he's liable to get hurt."

In "Somewhere In The Night," a mystery thriller, Nova plays the part of a tough gangster who makes plenty of trouble for John Hodiak and beautiful Nancy Guild, stars of the film.

In taking his fling at acting, Nova is following in the footsteps of such ring greats as Max Baer, Maxie Rosenbloom, Jack Dempsey, Ma Louis and Jim Corbett, all of Joe I have appeared before the whom cameras.

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"Homesick In My Own Home Town"

How Dear to My Heart

(In The Kiwanis Magazine, By RICHARD BARNITZ)

As I wandered through the bustling streets I found it hard to believe that this was my town, the drowsy, easy-going place where I grew up half a century ago. The cracker-barrel grocery store was now a supermarket; the cheerful clop-clop of horseshoes had become the grinding of gears and squeal of brakes at traffic lights. Most of the big trees and fine homes near the Square had disappeared. Where once I knew everyone, I was now surrounded by strangers.

I turned away from the hubbub to a side street. Here were houses and pavements where once I raced through open fields. But around a turn I came upon one last meadow and followed a dim path toward the country and springtime. A shadow walked by my side — a small, sunburned boy carrying a bamboo fishing pole and smelling of bruised mint, dried grass and sweat.

I plodded up the rise to Soldiers' Hill, which was unchanged from the old days. Lying on the grass in the warm sun, I looked down upon Hanover, Pennsylvania—the town that once was mine.

When I was a boy here in the '90's, the sunshine filtering down through leaves of buckeye and maple trees was bright on the dusty streets. The houses, red brick and white frame, stood in roomy yards. Within four blocks of the Square were farms and springhouses in which crocks of butter and cream rested in the clear, cold water.

The Square was, actually, a circle. On rainy days you could walk round it and stay dry, for each store had a wooden awning over the wide pavement. Between the outside posts were plank seats where the old men, many of them Civil War veterans, sat whittling, chewing tobacco, gossiping. Beyond were horses tied to hitching rails. You could pat their velvet noses and breathe in the comforting aroma of stable and old leather.

On sparkling spring mornings, when birds talked cheerily among the leaves that brushed the bedroom windows, I scrambled out of bed joyously alive. Good smells from the kitchen pulled me down the back stairs, struggling into torn shirt and patched pants on the way. If there were not oatmeal with thick cream and dark sugar, fried potatoes, ham, eggs and homemade bread, then there were sure to be strawberries, chops, hot cakes and fried mush, and not infrequently pie. Nobody ran for a train, and there were no morning papers. Instead we had laughter, and leisure, and second helpings.

Our parlor had windows that reached from ceiling to floor, stiff draperies resting on the thick Brussels carpet, and a large mirror set above a white marble mantel. The chandelier's double row of gas jets with cut-glass globes lent further lugubriousness to the dark engravings and oil paintings on the walls. I was awed by this great room and never comfortable in it. When some visitor detained me I sat on the edge of my chair with a rigidity matching the Victorian furnishings, thinking only of escape, and saying "yes, ma'am" when addressed.

The women loved this company room. Smelling of lavendar, they twittered and told me how fast I was growing. They wore prim, trailing skirts and sealskin coats with hour-glass waists and leg-o'-mutton sleeves. As they drank tea from fragile, tiny cups and nibbled daintily at cake—all this with gloved hands—they conversed with such vigor that the black sequins on their bonnets trembled and sparkled in the gaslight.

Kids today have cars, radios, movies for their pleasures; we had to be resourceful in finding ours. So we were playful as young animals are playful, and wrung every possibility out of commonplace events and things.

When summer came we headed for the ice dam outside of town. Here where the warm water was hemmed about by willows, we would spend the morning, get home for dinner in ten minutes, and return for the long hot afternoon. We built rafts, fished, netted pollywogs and minnows, and hunted frogs.

All year we looked forward to circus day. On that morning I was out of bed at three. I padded down through the dark, silent house to the kitchen, started breakfast, and listened, alert for that warning sound. Moist coolness eased into the room. Now the east was graying. Birds began to trill.

Suddenly there it was. Across the fields came the quavering whoo, whoo, wo, who-o-o-o-o of the first section. I was off over the back fence in a jiffy toward the railroad. I could hear the heavy train now, puffing upgrade. Through the mist, out of the dawn it came.

I raced along the tracks to the flatcars that carried the cages. Tarpaulins damp with dew shrouded the dens, muffling restless, living noises. Over all the cars clung the pungent, acrid, penetrating smell of the animals. I longed to reach through the bars and stroke the tigers, as I did the cats at home.

Out on the lots the tarpaulins were stripped from the cages and I watched the animals wrinkling their noses, sampling the strange smells of another town. I loved and pitied those great cats. They never looked at you but right through you, with a calm remoteness and sick longing. Often I imagined myself opening the cages and leading them off to the woods, earning their everlasting friendship.

I hung around the circus all day, doing odd jobs for the animal keepers. And as the last section pulled away, I stood by the tracks until the rumble of the train faded and only a mournful whistle whoo-whooed back.

Every Saturday night I went "on the Square," wandering around, trying to decide how to spend my five cent weekly allowance. The place was bustling wiith people and noisy with the rattling of carriages and wagons, and the stomping of horses' hoofs. Farmers in from the country stood on the curbs eating peanuts and gossiping in Platt-deutsch. Often my nickel went for a soda at Ed Harbaugh's new drug-store fountain, but sometimes I spent it at the veterans' setout, a wooden stand with candles illuminating a muslin sign, "Hard Tack and Bean Soup, 5c, Benefit G.A.R."

And sometimes I squandered my allowance in the grocery store where candy was kept in large wooden buckets. It was beautiful —one could look for hours at that fairyland of sugary, glittery green, pink, yellow and lavendar sweets. There were hard, white mints, chocolate drops, mixed hard candy and hore-hound drops. Stick candies, my favorites, filled wide-mouthed jars on the shelves. If I had a peppermint stick now, I'd put one end of it in a lemon and suck—I can't forget how tart and refreshing it was.

We drank pop from squat, heavy bottles sealed with a rubber washer on the inside. When you smacked down with the palm of your hand on the top there was a loud hiss. You had to get the bottle to your mouth quickly before the contents foamed out, but most of us had it running down our chins. The flavours were checkerbury, cream soda, sarsaparilla, strawberry and lemon. As for hard drinks, barrels of whisky stood along the grocery store wall and the contents sold for 40 to 80 cents a quart.

Afternoons in summer I scampered down to the old barn on the end of Johnny Moore's lot where he made ice cream. I spite of the heat I vigorously chopped wood for the engine that turned the freezer, and as a reward I got the dashers to lick.

The ice-cream parlor was in the house. I would help Johnny get the ice-cream cans onto the back porch. Townspeople flocked here to have their favorite fresh-fruit flavors. Nothing was served in the dinky portions you get nowadays. Everyone had "healthy helpings," and you helped yourself to crumbled crackers which were always on the table. One farmer who added the contents of the catsup bottle to top off his dish was told not to come any more. No profit, Johnny snorted. But it was gilding the lily that made him mad.

The real hangout, though, was under the awning in front of the undertaker's, where there were long benches always occupied by doctors, lawyers, bankers and others who stopped to rest and talk. Here intimate details of the town's families were related and prophecies offered. Few professional secrets could be kept in such a close-knit community. I never was allowed to loiter here. The men shooed me away saying, "Little pitchers have big ears." Someone had told me that this gathering was a Sanctum Sanctorum; what I most wanted was to find out what that might be.

Kids like to get away to secret places where no one will disturb them. In the old orchard which was our back yard, two apple trees had arranged their thick limbs conveniently to cradle the tree houses that I built. During spring and summer I slept in these hideaways, awakening amid the greenery of leaves or the pink of fragrant blossoms to lilting bird song and the sun's first fingers poking my eyes. Then I would go on long, before-breakfast walks through the dewy fields. And with me would go my dog, and sometimes the dogs of neighbors. I talked to the dogs and they talked back and trotted along with me.

Lately, from Soldiers' Hill at dusk, I heard dogs talking to one another. Years ago I could have identified them—"That Judson's dog, Pinky," or "There's old Waggles a-howlin'." Now the barks were nameless. And as the electric lights of the town flashed on with a self-confident show of progress, only a slight mist preserved the illusion of remembered lamplight.

I felt that somehow I no longer belonged here, and for a time wondered why. Then it dawned on me: "I known what the matter is,' I said aloud. "I'm homesick, in my own home town."

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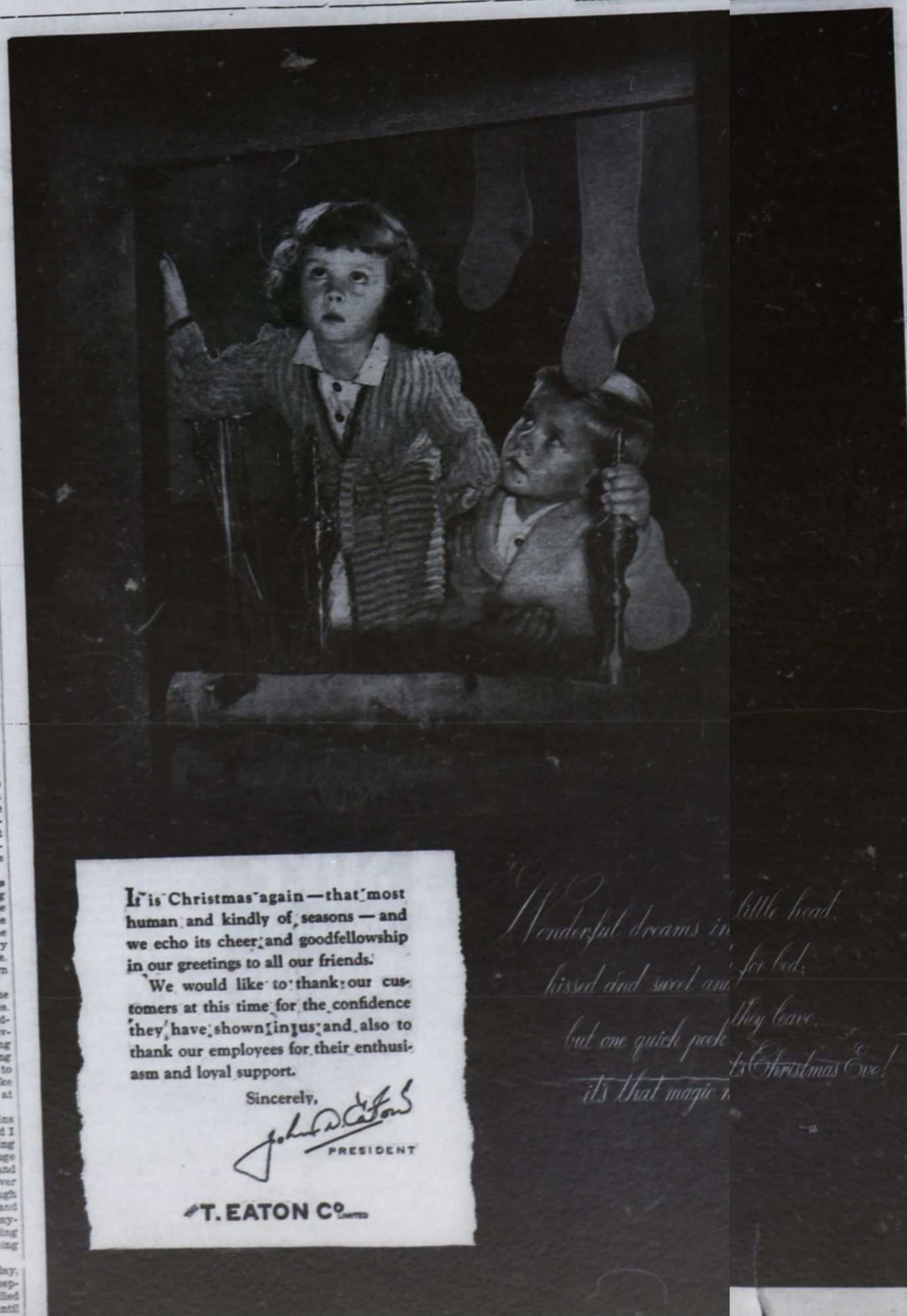

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LINCOLN ROADS ARE SECOND TO NONE IN THE PROVINCE

A Total Of $237,685 Was Expended On Highways This Year — 54 Miles Surface Treated — All Roads Patched — Engineer Warns That Many Roads Are Wearing Out.

County Engineer F. E. Weir was warmly commended by Lincoln County council last week when he presented the annual report of the road department at the December sessions of council. Mr. Weir's Report contained an outline of the work done during the past year together with a financial statement.

Speaking of the construction completed during 1946, Mr. Weir pointed out that one county road was built between North and South Grimsby townships for a distance of 5.5 miles and continued on across Clinton township for a distance of 1.2 miles, a total of 6.7 miles in all. This is now a water-bound macadam road eight inches deep. He, however, warned council that the road should have a penetration top next year to prevent it from going into pot holes.

Two strips of road were also completed during the year to eliminate bad turns on the county highway in Gainsboro township from St. Ann's to the Gainsboro-Clinton line. Work was also finished on the concrete bridge on this highway across Twenty Creek.

Not the least of the work done by the road department of Lincoln during the past year was the installation of driveway culverts. Mr. Weir informed council that a great many had been built in Grantham, Louth and Niagara townships, due to the fact that a large number of small homes have been built just outside of St. Catharines during the past year. In many cases these culverts cost more money to install than the property will pay in taxes of all kinds.

The patching and surface treating of roads was, according to Mr. Weir, a larger item this year due to the department being unable to obtain supplies as required during the last three years. This type of work was commenced early in the season and for three months, during May, June and July, two gangs of men were kept constantly employed. In all 54 miles of roads were surface treated and all roads on the county system were patched. Mr. Weir warned the council that some of the highways are

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Will Take A Holiday

Other weekly newspapers miss an issue throughout the year. Usually in the summer time. It has not been a regular custom with The Independent to do so, but this year we are going to take a holiday.

What with heavy newspapers, heavy job work, particularly rush Christmas work and then on top of it all a great mass of municipal printing, we are going to give our staff a rest on Boxing Day, the day after Christmas.

The Independent will not be published on Thursday, December 26th, the day after Christmas. Do not let this deter you from sending in your personal items of Christmas visitors and the goings and comings of friends. We will print them all with our personals of the New Year's holiday in our issue of Thursday, January 2nd. The day after Boxing Day, Friday the 27th, telephone in your Christmas personals and social items.

FRUIT ASSOCIATION CRITICIZES GOVERNMENT ON LENO ACTION

It Is Expected Price Controls Will Be Lifted Next March And What Happens Then Is Only A Matter Of Conjecture — Better Co-Operation Needed.

The Niagara Peninsula Fruit Growers Association at its annual meeting last Thursday afternoon in Victoria hall, Vineland, through its president, J. R. Stork, took the opportunity to criticize the dominion government regarding the leno question and fruit prices generally. Mr. Stork confessed that the growers are rather at sea as to next year's operation. The government, he charged, had compelled the growers to use more expensive covering and baskets without being allowed to charge increased prices. He expected price controls will be lifted by next March and what happens then was only a matter of conjecture. However, they would wait and see and hope for the best. Milk prices had been allowed to rise and this was taken as an excuse for raising retail prices. The growers were overlooked.

Mr. Stork made a strong plea for better co-operation among fruit growers themselves. If they showed more united action for their own protection, something might be accomplished. The government has not yet replied to the protest from the growers as to the leno question but he had learned privately the government did not intend to reverse its decision.

The new inspection system was praised by Mr. Stork and he expressed the view that if they had had the improved inspection sooner, many of this year's difficulties could have been prevented, regarding basket coverings, etc.

The express companies, he reported, had announced that they will not handle any more deep fruit baskets. He added that he and his associates had endeavoured to carry out the wishes of the growers and if they had fallen short, it was

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COUNTY COUNCIL WILL GIVE AID TO VETERANS

If Citizens Committee Is Disbanded Grants Will be Made To Canadian Legion To Carry On Work.

Acting upon the recommendation of Warden Robert M. Johnston, the Lincoln County Council at the close of Tuesdays' session decided to throw their whole-hearted support behind the Lincoln County Citizens Committee or the St. Catharines branch of the Canadian Legion for the welfare of the district's ex-servicemen.

Sponsored by Deputy-Reeve A. J. Wilson of Merritton and Reeve Cecil Secord of Grantham township, the following resolution was passed by council yesterday.

Whereas the Lincoln County Citizens Committee proposes to disband early in 1947 because of the withdrawal of financial support by the city of St. Catharines and as the council of Lincoln County feels that there is a definite need for the continuance of active service welfare work for 1947 at least, the council records itself as being in favor of the Lincoln County Citizens Committee under the same terms and conditions as formerly, that is, two-thirds of the net expenditure be provided by the city of St. Catharines and one-third by Lincoln County.

In event of the disbanding of the committee the county council approves the suggestion that this work be taken over by the St. Catharines branch of the Canadian Legion and that the budget submitted by the Legion for the operation of a committee to carry on the work be accepted and the coun-

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BEAMSVILLE HAS CASE OF GROWING PAINS

(Beamsville Express)

Beamsville's assessor, A. D. Stirtzinger, reported to Council on Monday night that the population of this town had risen from 1369, in 1945, to 1419 at present. This represents an increase of 50 in the village.

The total assessment reached $791,011.81 this year, an increase of $28,920.43 over 1945 figures. The land assessment is higher by $4,425.

There are more than 200 acres of farm land within the village limits, the report stated. And Mr. Stirtzinger found more than 100 homes without bathrooms, in Beamsville.

Canines had also kept pace with the human population, an increase of 22 being reported over last year. There are now 109 dogs in Beamsville.

County Town Outgrows Its Swaddling Clothes

Has a Total Assessment Of Over $40,000,000 — Population 35,270, An Increase in 10 Years Of 8,000.

The assessed value of land, buildings, and business in St. Catharines is moving toward the forty million million dollar mark, Assessment Commissioner M. H. Laird said last Saturday when he announced assessment and census figures prepared by his departmet this year.

This year's assessment is $36,651,313, including $4,133,662 assessment which is exempt from taxation. The actual taxable assessment is $32,517,653, which is $1,013,129 greater than a year ago. The assessment is an all-time record for St. Catharines.

Similarly, the city's population continues to gain. It is 35,270, an increase of 60 over last year, and considerably increased over 10 years ago. The 1936 population in St. Catharines was 27,006 and in 1926 it was 22,376, Mr. Laird said.

In regard to the increased assessment, the commissioner said $28,432,853 was land and buildings and $4,084,800 business assessment. Of the million dollar increase more than $700,000 was new or renovated building, better than $200,000 land values, largely resulting from the Glen Ridge boundary extension, and $72,000 increased business value.

FIRE INQUIRY

Town Council has been notified by the Fire Marshal's Department, that a full inquiry into the fire at The White Canadian Aircraft Co. plant on the morning of October 5th, will be held in the Council Chambers, Grimsby, on Wednesday, January 8th.

New Deputy Magistrate

H. D. Hallett, who has been appointed Deputy Magistrate of Lincoln County, assuming the position made vacant by the retirement of Magistrate J. H. Campbell, is a native of St. Catharines, and has been associated with the law firm of Collier and Schiller since 1939.

Under Mr. Hallett's appointment as deputy he will be authorized to continue a limited private practice of law, but, of course, will be prohibited from court appearances or dealing with criminal matters which would come within his jurisdiction as deputy magistrate.

As Deputy Magistrate, Mr. Hallett will also serve as a member of the Board of Police Commissioners along with Mayor W. J. Macdonald and His Honor J. G. S. Stanbury, County Judge.

The new Deputy Magistrate was educated in the schools of St. Catharines, University of Toronto, and Osgoode Hall, and was called to the bar in 1939. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Hallett, Russell avenue.

FIRE LOSS WAS VERY LIGHT DURING YEAR

Two Bad Conflagrations Runs The Total Loss High, Otherwise The Damage Was Negligible.

The year 1946 will go down on the records as one of the best twelve months in the history of Grimsby and North Grimsby as regards loss of property by fire.

Carefulness on the part of the citizens and excellent work by the Grimsby Fire Department has kept the loss at a very low ebb. There were two bad conflagrations, the fruit sheds at Grimsby Beach and the factory and plant of the White Canadian Aircraft Co., on Elizabeth Street.

Armand A. Hummell, secretary of the fire department reports that the brigade answered 11 alarms in the township with only a loss of $50, other than the fruit sheds which was an estimated loss of $25,000.

In the town 21 alarms were responded to with a loss of only $1,365 other than the White Aircraft Co. where the damage is estimated at $100,000.

Citizens are to be congratulated upon their carefulness and also upon the fact that they have in Fire Chief Alf. LePage and his men one of the best trained, efficient fire brigades in any small town in Canada.

SIMPLE RULES FOR CHRISTMAS SAFETY

TRAFFIC

Use extra care for the extra holiday hazards.

Let the Christmas spirit show itself in your attitude toward other drivers—and pedestrians.

Don't let those Christmas packages you are carrying obstruct your vision.

Don't drive if you drink, and vice versa.

Start in time and take it easy. Allow for the winter weather and the extra holiday traffic.

HOME

Check your hom for anything that might cause an ccident.

Keep your Chstmas tree in water and awayrom flames.

Use electric tree al window lights—no lighted candles.

Check your electrl connections for shorts and wornoutires.

Keep flimsy Christs decorations and wrappings aw from the fireplace.

CONSTRUCTION IN TOWNSHIP REACHES AN ALL-TIME HIGH

Building Permits Issued Totalled $174,200 — Water Revenue $6,215 — Tax Collections Are High — Fred Dancer Will Establish a Garbage Collection System — $14,000 Expended On Roads — 1947 Assessment Is Completed.

With exactly the same number of building permits issued during the year, North Grimsby township beat out the town in the amount of money expended in the construction of new buildings and alterations to old ones, during 1946, by approximately $40,000. This startling fact came to light at township council meeting on Saturday when Building Inspector Thos. Mackie presented his report for the year, and he stated: "I still have three applications for permits in my pocket, but have not yet looked over the properties." Permits to the value of $134,854 were issued in the town during the year, while in the township the total value reached $174,200. A considerable portion of this amount was created by the erection of the new porcessing factory of the Arkell Food Products.

East End waterworks system has 188 consumers which this year produced a revenue of $4,519, according to the report of J. H. Gillespie, collector. West End has 71 water users and a revenue of $1696.

Tax Collector Victor W. Thompson had a good month in November when he received $7,535 of current taxes and $600 prepaid taxes for 1947, also $449 of tax arrears. Up until noon on Saturday he had collected over $43,000 of this year's taxes.

Henceforth all restaurants in the township must be inspected and passed by officials of the Lincoln Health Unit before licences can be granted. A bylaw to this effect will be prepared and passed by council.

Road Supt. Thos. Mackie presented his report of expenditures on township roads for the year. A total of $14,016 was expended. $13,718 of which council receives a rebate 50 per cent from the Department of Highways. While the total expenditures is a larger amount than usual to be spent on roads, yet actually a smaller amount was spent on the roads, as of the total amount $4,941 was spent on the Woolverton Mountain job. Cost of the new truck (which as yet has not been delivered) is not included in his report.

Fred Dancer, Grimsby Beach, was given permission to establish a garbage collection system in the township.

A bylaw to fix the place of holding nominations and election polling booths, and the appoint-

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A Christmas Message

TO THE CITIZENS OF

Grimsby

At this season it gives me great pleasure to extend to each and every one of our Citizens a very Sincere and Hearty Christmas Greeting.

The Year 1946 has almost passed, with whatever disappointments and joys it may have had. And may we at this Season make it a bit happier by just trying to emulate the true spirit of Christmas as we find it expressed in those beautiful words of Longfellow—

"I heard the bells of Christmas Day
Their old familiar carols play
And wild and sweet, the words repeat
Of Peace on Earth Good will to Men."

And as the present year slowly passes beyond and the New Year approaches let us hope that the "World Powers" will be successful in bringing about a condition that will establish World Peace amongst all peoples.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

HENRY BULL,
Mayor of Grimsby.

PENSION APPLICATIONS ARE ON THE INCREASE

Since 1929 There Have Been 1667 Applications In Lincoln — 103 This Year — 42 Pensioners Died.

Reeve George Montgomery of Clinton Township presented the annual report of the Lincoln County Pensions Board at the December sessions of council. The report, compiled by Chairman George Hedley, showed a total of 103 applicants in Lincoln during the past year for old age pensions, mothers' allowance and blind pension.

During 1946 there were 84 applications for old age pensions, 18 applicants requesting mothers' allowance and only one application for blind pension. A total of 42 pensioners passed away during the year. Since the old age pension act came ito force in 1929, 1,667 persons have applied for pensions in Lincoln County. Since 1938 there have been 145 applications for mothers' allowance and 30 applicants for blind pensions over the same period of years.

A survey of old age pensions figures since the outbreak of the recent war show that there were

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MAYOR BULL HAS A VERY TRANQUIL SESSION

Town Councillors In Last Meeting Never Gave His Worship a Chance To Use Well Worn Gavel.

Last statutory meeting of town council was held Monday noon and it was very solemn and tranquil. Councillor Bonham never raised his voice above a whisper and Councillor Lewis was not there to hear him if he had. Never once did Mayor Bull have to rap his well worn gavel. It really was a "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" meeting. It may have been Mayor Bull's cigars that quieted the gentlemen down.

Only routine matters were dealt with. Two routine bylaws were given the necessary three readings and passed.

Clerk Geoffery G. Bourne was granted 10 days leave of absence so that he can spend the holiday season with his son, daughter-in-law and his grandson. In the meantime Asst.-Clerk Fred Jewson will take care of things.

A tree that has been causing a lot of trouble to residents in front of No. 11 Kidd Ave. will be removed, on recommendation of Chairman of Board of Works Inglehart.

Town barn on Orchard Lane is not large enough in depth to accommodate the town truck with the snow-plow attached. An extension had to be made on the south side of the barn. Norman J. Todd, owner of the property south of the barn gave council permission to extend the barn building unto his property in order to accommodate the truck and plow.

Councillor Archie Chivers informed council that the colored lights would be turned on again on Main street on the 21st of the month and remain on until after the New Year.

General voucher accounts for $1,223 were passed.

GRIMSBY WEATHER

Week ending at 8 a.m., Monday, December 16, 1946.

Highest temperature	59.6
Lowest temperature	19.2
Mean temperature	38.7
Precipitation	1.54 inches

KAISER CAR HAS ARRIVED

There was Great Excitement Around Mid-Town Garage On Wednesday When First Kaiser Car To Go On Display In Canada Arrived — Will Be On Show All This Week—Looks Like a Smart Job.

After many weeks of expectations and weary waiting the new Kaiser car has finally arrived in Grimsby—the first car from the assembly lines at Willow Run, Mich., to reach Canada.

Nick N. Budnar and Charlie E. Shepard of Midtown Motors went to Windsor on Tuesday and they drove the new car to Grimsby on Wednesday. It is now on display at the Midtown showrooms on Main Street west.

Citizens generally have been waiting for this much talked about new automobile to make its appearance and now it is here. The boys at Midtown will be pleased to show all and sundry this new model and incidentally book a few orders.

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THE BEST PRESENT OF ALL— YOUR PRESENCE !

No matter how much money you spend on Christmas, or how much love and thought you put into your Christmas plans—it won't mean a thing if anything happens to you or your family.

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You may not realize it, but the one thing your family wants most around the Christmas tree is your **presence**, not your **presents.** And don't let the cynics tell you different!

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An accident can be tragic at any time, but at Christmas it is doubly tragic. And yet the Christmas season is ruined in thousands of homes every year by suffering tragedy from accidents that need never have happened. Many a Christmas tree has become a mocking reminder of someone not there to enjoy it.

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The whole spirit of Christmas is "Peace on earth, good will to men"—the spirit of kindness, courtesy and cordiality. How can this spirit be better expressed than in a little extra care and courtesy at the wheel of your car and in your home, at your work and in your recreation.

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It sems a little thing to do—and yet it pays off big in happiness, security and freedom from pain and tragedy. It costs nothing, takes no time and requires only a little thought and effort.

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So long with your Christmas gifts this year, give a little extra care and common sense, a little extra thought toward preventing an accident that might ruin not only your Christmas, but your life.

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This Christmas, give the best present of all—your presence!

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SEASON FOR REJOICING

Not so very long ago, Christmas was the occasion of great family holiday parties. Before cars were common, friends and relatives would arrive from afar, prepared to stay for a day or a week and the homes took on a festive air which was more leisurely because it wasn't for a day but for the whole season of holiday, which did not end until after the New Year had been ushered in.

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With the advent of the car all this has been changed. Most Christmas gatherings nowadays are for the day, many only for dinner, and our families are united only to separate almost before the latest budget of news and gossip can be disposed of. It is all a part of the hurry and bustle of our modern world and it loses much thereby.

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But in essence it is still and same. Mothers still make preparations and welcome sons and daughters who have left to work in other towns or to make homes of their own away from the town of their childhood.

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Fathers welcome the children of whom they see all too little, and grandchildren who are the apples of their eye.

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The turkey is still the piece de resistance at the family board and the exchange of greetings just as sincere as when more time was spent over them.

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It is still Christmas and this year we may even hope that, in the majority of homes it will be the merriest in years.

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Even in those where it will never be really merry again, this Christmas may, we hope, bring peace and the realization that even He Whose birth we celebrate at this season, was born only to die that in His own time the world might know the true meaning of the word.

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It is a difficult thing for a man to keep cool when he is roasted; it is generally in the nature of things that he should get hot.

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Pay no attention to lies. The greater a man is, the less he is disturbed by what others do or say against him without cause.

YEH DIDN'T COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS—

Were there some in our town last holiday season who, through their own selfish motives, or perhaps because they felt they couldn't afford it, or that because of their own busy life, refrained from visiting their parents at this one time of the year for which they plan and look ahead, perhaps for twelve months at a time?

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Or on the other hand, did some of our fathers and mothers here in Grimsby wait expectantly for the Yuletide, which would bring their sons and daughters home, only to receive a last-minute message or telegram to the effect that for some seemingly more important reason, their son or daughter, could not be with them for Christmas.

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Do we ever take time to think of the few short years, or probably before another Christmas, when it will be too late to gather at the homestead with father and mother where they will hover over us, to them, the greatest blessings they possess.

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Ralph Gordon, in the following poem, gives us a splendid example of the disappointment we can bring through our lack of consideration to those closest to us;

Yeh didn't come home fer Christmas, son,
T' me an' mother, too,
T' make the ol' home ring again,
Jest like yeh used t' do.

Yeh know it don't seem enny time,
Since you were just a lad;
A-runnin' 'round in 'knickers, you
Were sech a tiny tad.

Y'd hang yer stockin' Christmas eve,
Ag'in' the chimney wall,
An 'in the morn, bout half past five,
Then out-a bed y'd crawl.

An' there y'd find yer stockin' full
Of presents by the score,
An' what ma couldn't put inside,
She'd lay around the floor.

An' then yv'd jump an shout and sing,
An' fondle every toy,
'Twas worth a lot t' ma an' me
T' fill yer heart with joy.

An' so we wanted you this year
On good ol' Christmas day,
An' we were disappointed, much,
Because yeh stayed away.

Ma had the chicken roasted brown,
She made a puddin', too,
A carrot puddin', like she's made
So many times fer you.

She put a chair up to your place,
Jest like she used to do;
An' when we ate, we both most cried,
Because we wanted you.

Yer maw's a little shaky now,
An' I'm not jest so spry,
We won't have many Christmases,
Fer how the time does fly.

So, if we're here next Christmas time,
We want no one but you,
T' come an' make the ol' home ring,
Jest like yeh used t' do.

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ANOTHER STRIKE

Labor strikes have become so common in recent months that they are no longer first page news. But a new record was made a few weeks ago in Malaya.

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There the Chinese Buddhist priests, who are paid $10 a month, plus board and lodging, went on strike. And, they announced, until they are paid $1.50 a week extra for special prayer meetings, they were going to stay out.

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Perhaps they earned their money, but it might not be a bad thing for the Buddhists and their country as well, if they let the priests keep on striking, and in the meantime learned to pray for themselves.

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SLOW DRIVERS

One of the problems connected with manners on the road, is as to the situation created by some very slow drivers on main roads. If a man wants to drive 20 miles on hour on some main road, where most people drive 40 to 50 or more, a long line of cars may gather behind him. Some of those rear drivers may take a chance of accident in trying to pass the line.

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The slow driver has the same right on the road as anyone else, but if he is merely driving for pleasure it would seem better if he could drive mostly on the side roads where he can take his own time and not have to think of the cars lining up behind him.

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If there are reasons why he should drive on the main road, it would seem a good idea to turn out occasionally and let the line behind him get past.

Merry Christmas. Happy New Year.

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Some beautifully decorated Christmas windows.

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"Good" Pettigrew, The Golden Thrush from Smithville, meeting old friends.

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Power shortage has caused the colored lights to be turned off. They will be on again from the 21st to the New Year.

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This one is honest. Heard in front of the Gas Co. office. "I have no more dollars than Bill Hewson has hair on his head."

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Cut stone front has been finished and three tremendously large steel girders placed in position on the new Thompson block.

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Mort Dymond from his Crow's Nest remarks, "there is a federal election in the offing. They are repairing the Post Office roof."

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Fire Chief LePage at two in the a.m., and it was no mild morning either, discussing Christmas fire hazards with Chief W. W. Turner. Main Street can be thankful that they have this pair of watch dogs.

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This query is addressed to the oldest voter in Lincoln County: Has there ever been a time when the liquor question has not been a plague, as it were, to both the old line parties, or not a public issue in some form or other?

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Firemen held their annual Christmas party on Saturday night last, in their club rooms. A good Fire Chief and a good bunch of men who know their onions (also their hamburger) and the citizens should support them to the fullest.

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Question. "Did you go to the Warden's banquet?." Answer: "No." This columnist is not in the habit of going places where he is not invited. An invitation was not expected. Who ever heard tell of he Lamb inviting the Lion into its fold.

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Election stuff. Those two old warriors of many a torrid municipal battle are definitely in the field for re-election in North Grimsby. Charlie Durham will again stand for Reeve and "Battling Bill" Mitchell will be his running mate. It's in the blood. You can't get it out.

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Poor Peggy. Reservations to the left. Reservations to the right. And onward charge the New Year's Eve gang. Blood poison in her hand and a merry-go-round in her head. "Doc" McIntyre standing on the sidelines coaching, "you gotta take a rest." Peggy built the Village Inn business so she must take the grief that goes with big business.

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"Bill" Mitchell, Glad Mogg and Councillor Fulford from South Grimsby, were discussing the county equalization question in front of Carroll's store. Said Mitchell: "You should give South Grimsby back to the Indians." Just then a local Indian came along and Mogg asked him "do you want South Grimsby?", and he replied, "Nope. No want."

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That's all folks. There isn't any more. Don't call me before noon on Christmas morning.

There are some habits that will lengthen life; crawling through the fence with cocked gun is not one of them.

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It was different in the horse and buggy days. A driver didn't have to lock his buggy when he had to leave it for several hours.

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CONTINUATIONS

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CONSTRUCTION

ment of Deputy Returning Officers and poll clerks was passed. Nominations will be held in the Masonic Hall, Grimsby, on Monday, December 30th, from 12 to one o'clock p.m.

If an election is necessary it will be held on Monday, January 6th, from nine a.m. to five p.m. The polling booths and officials will be as follows:-

Park School—Booth A—Cecil Bell, D.R.O., A. Bengough, Clerk.

Booth A—George Mould, D.R.O.; Bert Greenwood, Clerk.

Hager's School—Glen Reinke, D.R.O., Harold Lake, Clerk.

Alway's School—(some residence nearby)—John Bowslaugh, D.R.O.; James Monaghan, Clerk.

Kemp's School—Wm. Fairbrother, D.R.O.; Ashley Elliott, Clerk.

St. Mary's Hall—Don Beamer, D.R.O.; Steven Andreychuck, Clerk.

Representatives of The Pittsburg Water Heater Co., appeared before about several matters pertaining to the factory they are establishing in the old Casino at the Beach. Their questions will have to be dealt with by the 1947 council.

As the township has adopted the system of making its assessment a year ahead, Assessor Gordon Metcalfe reported that he had finished the 1947 assessment. This year he had to make two assessments owing to the change over the 1946 assessment was made in the late winter and early spring and the 1947 assessment in October and November.

LINCOLN ROADS

ty provide $2,240, which is its share of the budget.

If the committee disbands and the city council of St. Catharines refuses to provide its share of the moneys required by the Canadian Legion to carry on this work, Lincoln County will make a grant of a maximum of $2,500 to assist the Legion in this work for the year 1947.

Council passed a bylaw amending the road bylaw and adding two miles of the Boyle road in Grantham township, three miles of the Campden road in Clinton and Gainsboro township, two and a half miles of the Ridge road in North Grimsby township and two and a half miles of the Grassie road in North Grimsby to the county road system.

These additions to the county road system were included in the bylaw submitted to the department of highways for approval earlier in he year but acting on the suggestion of the department a new bylaw was passed carrying only the additions to be made in 1947. The additions to be made to the county road system in 1948, included in the original bylaw proposed this year, will be contained in a measure to be passed next year for approval of the provincial department.

A second bylaw was also passed regulating the planting and removal of shade and ornamental trees on county highways and prohibiting the destruction of such trees and providing for their trimming and for that of trees on private property which extend over county roads.

COUNTY COUNCIL WILL

worn out. He pointed out that the road from Allen's Corners in Caistor township to the Wentworth County line is costing too much to maintain in its present condition and should be rebuilt and widened next year.

Continuing his survey of the work necessary in the near future or next year, Mr. Weir stated that the road from Smithville south to Wainfleet township should be widened and graded with culverts and bridges built next year. Work on this strip of road will necessitate the rebuilding of 26 pipe culverts, of seven concrete culverts, four bridges and the fencing of 12 miles of the road. He also recommended the widening next year of the Creek Road in Niagara township.

Mr. Weir also informed council that a new storehouse was built during the year on property belonging to the County Industrial Home and which will serve as a storehouse and workshop for the eastern end of the county.

Turning to the matter of equipment of the road department, Mr. Weir pointed out that good equipmen is a necessary part of road construction, poor and inefficient equipment costing money and lost time. New 10-ton Diesel roller was purchased this year, a new upright boiler was bought to heat tar and a new pump to supply water and new spray painting machine were also purchased Council was informed that the steam roller now in use is worn out and should be replaced next year if any construction work is to be done. The engineer also advised the turning in, in 1947, of two dump trucks on new vehicles.

A total of $237,685.95 was spent by the road department in 1946. Of this amount $97,407.84 went for road construction and $76,909.81 for maintenance in such items as ditching, dragging, fencing and grading, patching and resurfacing, roadside improvement, snow and ice removal. Overhead amounted to $13,073.15 and rebates to towns and villages amounted to $19,508.-76. New equipment purchased during the year totalled $13,457.52 and suburban expenditures amounted to $16,284.59.

Discussing the work of the St. Catharines Suburban Road Commission during 1946, Mr. Weir paid warm tribute to the fine work done by the late A. H. Trapnell, a member of the commission since its inception. He informed council that R. J. Aiken of Aiken & McLachlan Construction Company had been appointed to fill out the term of Mr. Trapnell on the commission.

In referring to the work done throughout the year by the Suburban Road Commission Engineer Weir stated that construction work had been limited to the rebuilding of a half-mile at the south end of Niagara street and the surface treating of Ontario street from St. Catharines to Port Dalhousie. He forecast some work on the Merrittville Highway next year and the probable necessity of a surface treatment for the whole road together with construction on Geneva street. The toal amount spent on construction during the year was $5,423.67 with an almost like amount spent on patching and resurfacing. The commission spent on road work during 1946 the sum of $16,284.59.

STAR HAUNTS HARDWARE STORES AS A HOBBY

Dane Clark, currently co-starring with Janis Paige and Zachary Scott in Warners "Her Kind Of Man" at the Roxy Theatre first three days of next week, is spending his spare time haunting hardware stores.

The new Warner Bros. star recently bought a home in Beverly Hills which he is remodeling, and every free moment he has away from the cameras is spent searching for plumbing fixtures.

Since his arrival in Hollywood a few years ago Clark, because of the housing shortage, had to live in a broken down house in which nothing worked. So for the new abode the plumbing is going to be of the most improved type and all hand picked.

LEGEND OF THE CHRISTMAS STOCKING

Many, many years ago there lived in Europe a very wealthy man named St. Nicholas. He liked nothing better than to help poor people, but disliked very much being thanked for his gifts. One Christmas Eve he wished to give a purse of gold to an old man and his little daughter, and in order to escape without being seen, he climbed to their roof and dropped his precious gift down the chimney. Instead of landing on the hearth, however the purse fell right into a stocking which was hung up to dry, and the next morning it was discovered there! When other people heard of the strange happening they too hung up their stockings, and soon all over the land it became the custom on Christmas Eve to hang up one's stocking for St. Nicholas to fill.

GREETINGS
TO THE CITIZENS OF
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As your public servant for the past 20 or more yeasrs, allow me at this Festive Season to express to you my most sincere thanks for the honors that you have conferred on me in the past and I wish to extend to You and Yours my heartiest wishes for a very—

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Condition of Alex Scott who is confined to Hamilton hospital is slightly improved.

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Harold C. Woolverton leaves tomorrow for his annual winter trip to his orange grove in Mentone, Cal.

Gospel Hall

Adelaide St., Grimsby

LORD'S DAY

Breaking of Bread ——— 11 a.m.
Sunday School ——— 3 p.m.
Gospel Meeting ——— 7 p.m.

Wednesday

Prayer Meeting and Bible Reading, 8 p.m.

—— All Welcome ——

St. John's Presbyterian Church

Rev. F. McAvoy, B.A., B. Th., Minister.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22nd

11 a.m.—"Wise Men From The East."
2.30 p.m.—Sunday School.
7 p.m.—"His Name — Jesus."

The Baptist Church

Rev. Geo. A. McLean, B.A.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22nd

10:00 a.m.—Church School.

11.00 a.m.—Christmas Service.

Subject: "The Fulness of Time."

Christmas Anthem, Carols and Instrumental music.

7.00 p.m.—Christmas Service.

Subject: "The Nativity in Song, Story and Tableau."

"Come let us worship the Newborn King."

St. Andrew's Church

(Diocese of Niagara)

Rector: Rev'd E. A. Brooks, M.A., Tel. 549.

The Fourth Sunday in Advent

8.30 a.m.—Holy Communion.
11 a.m.—Mattins and Sermon.
7 p.m.—Cantata-Pageant of the Nativity. "The Adoration of the Shepherds and the Kings."

Christmas Eve—
Mid-night Service—11.30 p.m.

Christmas Day—
Family Service—11 a.m.

Sunday December 28th—
8.30—H.C., 11 a.m.; M.P., 7 p.m.—Nativity Pageant with Epiphany Music.

Mr. Albert Kawalik of Saskatchewan is visiting with his sister Miss Stella Kawalik.

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William Dawe of Winona is making satisfactory progress in Hamilton hospital.

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We regret to report that Mrs. Robert Eaton is seriously ill in West Lincoln Memorial hospital.

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Mr. Jas. A. Aitchison is confined to West Lincoln Memorial hospital and his condition is not too encouraging.

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Miss Harriett Walsh left on Friday last for New York from where she sailed on Saturday for a holiday trip to England and Ireland.

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Mrs. T. B. Edmonds has returned home after spending three weeks with her daughter, Mrs. R. H. McNeill, 213 Rosemont Ave., Weston.

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While we will not publish next week—will be closed Thursday—please start early on Friday morning sending in your holiday social and personal items for our issue of January 2nd.

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Town Clerk G. G. Bourne left today for Virginiatown, somewhere in the Northern Ontario bush, to spend the holiday season with his son Barry and Mrs Bourne and not forgetting the little grandson.

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The Young Adult Group of Trinity United Church will hold a Fireside Meeting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Main east, after the regular church service on Sunday evening.

Births

McNIVEN—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McNiven, nee Kathryn Jeffries, are happy to announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy Jill, at the Toronto Western Hospital, on Friday, December 6th, 1946.

B.Y.P.U.

The Baptist Young Adult Group held its first social evening of the season on Tuesday evening, December 17th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tomlin, Elm St.

During the evening a presentation was made to Miss Evelyn Maxwell, a member of our local school staff who is leaving in the New Year to take up duties at Kirkland Lake.

Legion Auxiliary

The Ladies' Auxilliary held their regular monthly meeting in the Masonic Hall, December 11th, starting with the initiation of another member.

A discussion of the Christmas tree, for children of Legion Veterans, was the main topic of the meeting.

Mr. Marr, president of the Legion, drew the winning ticket for the purse, at the close of the evening. Mr. Alex Anderson held the number that counted.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas.

Beaver Club

The Beaver Club Christmas Party took place Monday evening, December 16th, in St. John's Presbyterian Church Rooms. More than 50 people, Beavers and their husbands, sat down to supper. The tables were beautifully decorated and loaded with good things to eat. After supper shuffleboard was played for some time, then Santa Claus was represented by Miss Besse and Mr. D. Mogg, who presented everyone with a gift from the Christmas tree. Christmas Carols were sung accompanied by Mesdames McIntosh, Shafer, Dousett at the piano.

St. John's W.M.S.

With election of a president held over until January meeting, St. John's Presbyterian W.M.S. elected these officers on Thursday; Mrs. W. E. Burke, vice-president; Miss M. A. Phillips, secretary; Mrs. James Dunham, treasurer; Mrs. Howard Young, pianist; Mrs. Andrew Stevenson, Cradle Roll secretary; Mrs. John Tait, supply; Mrs. Alex McKenzie, home helpers; Mrs. Fred Reiss, glad tidings; Mrs. William Sangster, welcome and welfare; Mrs. Charles Mason, Mrs. C. Merritt and Mrs. Fred Reiss, social committee. All reports showed a successful year.

Women's Institute

ENGLISH WOMEN'S INSTITUTES SEND GIFTS TO ONTARIO

As a tangible expression of their appreciation of the many kindnesses shown to them during the war years, and the geenrous help given by the Women's Institutes of Ontario, some of the English Women's Institutes have sent to the Women's Institutes Branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture a generous gift in the form of a library of books. In acknowledging these gifts of books, Miss Anna P. Lewis, Director of the Women's Institute Branch and Home Economics Service, states that the shipments consist of collections of books pertaining to life in England. Over forty books have been received from the Women's Institutes in the Wiltshire Federation, and well over one hundred volumes from those in the Dorset Federation. Miss Lewis has had a list of the books compiled, and this has been distributed to the Women's Institutes of Ontario, with a notation to the effect that these books will be available on loan to the members of these Institutes.

"WHITE GIFT SERVICE"

Sunday morning, December 15th. the Church School of the Baptist Church held their "White Gift Service." There was a very large attendance and all from the youngest to the oldest brought their gifts to the platform filling to overflowing the capacious white cradle placed there for that purpose. These gifts have been sent to Miss Renton, the Baptist Missionary, at the New Canadian Mission in Thorold where they will be used to help provide a happy Christmas for the scholars of the Mission School there.

At the morning service the pastor, Rev'd. Geo. A. McLean, climaxed two series of sermons, morning series on Stewardship and an evening one on Evangelism in a strong "Fivefold Altar Call' for reconsecration of Self, Time, and Material things to will and purpose of the Divine Master.

The evening service was a "Candlelight Service' for the setting aside of the officers of the two Young Peoples' Groups to their important work. The officers thus set aside were for the Young Adult Group, President, E. Hope; Vice, N. Lunt; Sec. Treas., Miss M. Morris; Social Convener, Mrs. M. Morris. For the B.Y.P.U.—President, M. Piett; Vice, B. Byford; Secretary, Betty Konkle; Treasurer, E. Forsythe; Press Reporter, R. Tomlin, and Counsellors, Mr. and Mrs. F. Branscombe. This fine group of officers are both capable and enthusiastic and will lead a fine work.

After this service the congregation participated in a three quarter hour Christmas Carol singing led by the organ and piano and then enjoyed another half hour of less formal social fellowship in the school hall during which light tasty refreshments were served by members of the two groups.

Obituary

MRS. J. HENRY CULP

Mrs. J. Henry Culp, of Grimsby, passed away at West Lincoln Memorial Hospital Monday night following a lingering illness.

The former Anne Allan Fyfe, she was born in Toronto, a daughter of the late John Fyfe and Mrs. Fyfe, and had resided in Grimsby for the last 17 years. She was a member of Grimsby Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, in which organization she had taken an active part.

In religion she was an adherent of St. John's Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are her husband, J. Henry Culp, and a daughter, Dorothy, at home; her mother, Mrs. John Fyfe, Toronto; two brothers, A. A. Fyfe and J. A. Fyfe, both of Toronto; and two sisters, Mrs. M. A. Hare, Caledonia, N.Y., and Mrs. D. B. MacNamara, Toronto.

Funeral services are being held this afternoon at two p.m. from the Stonehouse Funeral Home, with Rev. Francis McAvoy officiating. Interment will be in Queen's Lawn cemetery.

PERMISSION TO MARRY NO LONGER NECESSARY

Army Headquarters has announced that regulations governing the marriage of an officer or soldier have been amended and that members of the Active Force need no longer request their commanding officer's permission before tying the marital knot. The new ruling applies only to members of the Active Force. Men still serving with the wartime Canadian Army (Active) or in the Interim Force must still obtain permission before "gettin' hitched."

Time Table For Ration Coupons

December 19—Sugar S37 & S38; Meat M64.

December 26—Meat M65; Butter B36.

Christmas Services

Trinity United Church — December 22nd

11 a.m.—"What the Shepherds Heard."
7 p.m.—A Choral Service with a brief spoken message.
2.30 p.m.—Sunday School in Trinity Hall.

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Baptist Church

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY IN THE BAPTIST CHURCH

The "Birthday of the King" will be observed in a special way in the Baptist hurch at both services Sunday. The morning subject for thought and discussion will be "In the Fulness of Time." Christmas carols will be used throughout the service, the choir will sing the anthem "The Herald Angels Sing" by N. E. Bishop, and the instrumental numbers throughout the service, the Prelude, the offertory and the postlude will all be Chrismas music and will be rendered as pipe organ and piano duets with Miss Ormiston at the organ and Mrs. Simpson at the piano.

At the evening service the story of "The Nativity" will be given in song, story and tableau. It will commence with a group of three carols and will be interspersed with recitative extracts from the Scriptures, carols, and stories concerning some of the carols and will be climaxed in a beautiful tableau of the "Manger Scene" during which the choir will sing "Who is He in Yonder Stall," and "Away in a Manger.' It will be concluded by the singing of "Adeste Fideles."

Trinity W.M.S

The W.M.S. of Trinity United Church held their annual meeting last Thursday afternoon at Trinity Hall, with Mrs. E. H. Burgess presiding.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Mrs. E. H. Burgess, president; Mrs. John Millar and Mrs. Laura Wells, vice-presidents; Mrs. James Theal, secretary; Mrs. Brock Snyder, treasurer; Mrs. Spencer Merritt, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Mary Catton, supply secretary; Mrs. H. Harper, secretary of stewardship; Mrs. I. R. Aikens, temperance secretary; Mrs. Sarah Murphy, missionary monthly secretary; Mrs. C. Boden, Mrs. M. Hilts and Mrs. S. G. Hawley, community friendship secretaries; Mrs. Boden, pianist.

Mrs. Watt expressed the appreciation of the ladies for Mrs. Burgess' fine leadership during the past three years, and Mrs. Snider prsented a lovely bouquet of mums.

A candlelight service was held with Mesdames Laura Wells, H. G. Harper, Marcus Hilts and J. Theal, as Indian women in saris, and Mesdames I. R. Aikens, Spencer Merritt, H. Cooper and Harry Rosebrugh as Canadian women.

Mrs. Catton gave a very interesting talk, based on a part of the study book "India at the Threshold."

The ladies' parlors were decorated to lend a suggestion of India, also appropriate to the Christmas season.

Christmas carols were played, while the four ladies in saris served refreshments and a social half hour was enjoyed.

Grassie News

(Mrs. Clifford Walker, Staff Correspondent)

Mrs. I. Thomas held a party Saturday evening at her home for the members of her Bowling team.

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Mr. and Mrs. Hildebrand of Manitoba, have taken possession of their new home recently purchased from Mrs. Annie Johnson.

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Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Southward spent Sunday with Mrs. Lottie Walker.

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Mrs. Lottie Walker has recovered from her recent illness.

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Miss Jean Duck and pupils are busily preparing for their Christmas Concert which takes place this week.

In Memoriam

CHESTER—In loving memory of my dear husband and our dear dad, George Chester, who passed away December 18th, 1940.

Always in our thoughts—
—Wife and family

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Simcoe, Dec. 13—Convicted some time ago on a charge of assault occasioning bodily harm, Joe Lesko, of Beamsville, who has been in jail here since November 25, was sentenced to-day by Magistrate H. P. Innes to remain there until December 23. He also was fined $50 and costs or will be forced to serve an additional month. The charge followed a fracas in front of a local hotel when John Bennett, of Waterford was stabbed in the back with a jack-knife.

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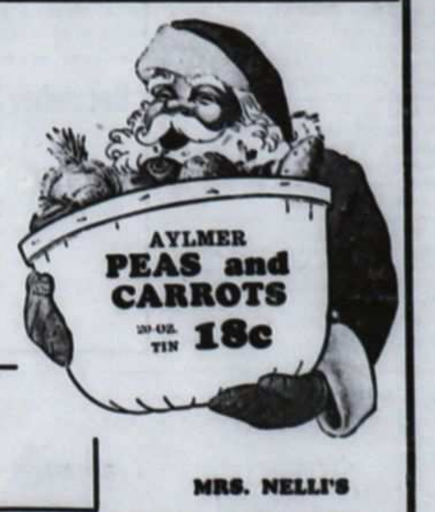

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While Bagheera looked after "Bones" the Sixers were busy reviewing a new knot formation.

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"B" Pack gathered around the campfire and listened intently to Akela's story of Kaa's Hunting, after which they practised the Jungle Dance of Kaa. Seconds for the Pack were announced as follows—Red Six, Barry Bourne; Black Six, Bill Stewart; Green Six, Don Grad; Grey Six, Lynn Cooper.

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FRUIT ASSOCIATION

not through lack of effort on the part of himself and those associated with him. The growers had had good crops this year and for this they were very thankful. What the peach growers lacked was made up in the good prices for grapes.

E. F. Palmer presented the nominating committee's report, which was unanimously accepted by the meeting and the following are the directors for 1947: E. F. Palmer, Vineland Station; Dr. G. H. Berkeley, St. Catharines; Senator E. D. Smith, Winona and W. A. Ross, Vineland Station. For Niagara township directors are: W. C. Fisher, Queenston; John Cooper and A. Willms, Niagara-on-the-Lake; Grantham, Wallace Secord, W. C. Nickerson, Ivan Buchanan and Cecil Secord; Louth, J. R. Stork, H. L. Craise, Ernest Culp, Vineland Station, and John C. Wisner, Jordan Station; Clinton, Donald W. Jory, Blake Davidson, Beamsville, Harold Smith, Vineland Station; North Grimsby, Don J. Beamer, Grimsby, C. M. Bonham, N. C. Woolverton, George Nelles, Grimsby; Stamford, G. Ellis, C. J. Monroe, Niagara Falls; Pelham, Ed. Clemens, Horace Kilman, Fenwick, Wm. Haun, Ridgeville; Wainfleet, Walter Palmer, Wainfleet; Barton, Mr. Beckett, Jr., Hamilton; Binbrook, Harvey Daw, Glanford Station; Glanford, Clayton Young, Hannon; Ancaster, James Oakes, Ancaster; Saltfleet, Murray Utter, Stoney Creek, Frank Smith, Hamilton, Reid Smith and George Lewis, Winona.

Secretary E. F. Neff reported on the financial status of the Fruit Growers' Association. The revenue showed a total of $1,509 with expenditures of 639, leaving a balance in the bank of $877.

Howard L. Craise made a report on resolutions passed at the associations last meeting. He said the tariff situation is rather obscure. He had attended conferences in Toronto, Chicago and Washington in association with American growers and they had endeavoured to bring about some concerted action. The tariff arrangement with the U.S. prior to the late war was explained. This arrangement applied to different seasons of the year and the old agreement will be brought back, he thought. But with 15 countries dealing with the question, it is difficiult to say what will happen. Referring to vast shipments to the U.S. of apples by other provinces, he said Ontario had lost this opportunity by not having the proper organization. He had just learned that British Columbia growers had sent 3,500,000 cases of apples to Britain on shipboard through the Panama Canal. Ontario can do the same with proper organization and management.

Mr. Craise also referred to the improvement in fruit inspection and while he acceded to the statement that there was a far better situation, he believed the government should have brought about the improved inspection in 1941 instead of waiting until 1945.

W. A. Ross gave a comprehensive report on the battle the fruit growers are waging against the oriental moth which once more is a very serious menace to both peaches and Kieffer pears. He said that with the use of parasitisms, excellent results were being shown. He referred to the splendid work of DDT, a parasite spray which has proved very effective in eliminating the pest. It should be used energetically by all growers.

Mr. Ross said it will be several years before the full effect of DDT sprays on peaches will be shown but from their own work during the past season at the experimental station and from experience in the U.S. certain facts are evident. DDT will greatly reduce the amount of fruit moth injury but the real value lies in the extent to which it reduces invisible injury. He expected a substantial reduction in moth injury in 1947 but abnormal weather such as the exceptional heat at the end of September an early in October had its effect an may again be harmful.

At the close of the meeting, Chairman Stork enquired of the members as to whether they wanted the annual convention. He called for a vote and those in favor were in majority. The question of a meeting place was discussed and finally it was decided that the convention will be held in Victoria Hall, Vineland, as usual.

A meeting of the newly chosen directors was held at the conclusion of the general meeting to elect officers. J. R. Stork, was re-elected president for 1947. Forest Kilman, Fonthill, and Frank Smith of Saltfleet, were chosen as vice presidents, H. Craise and Ernest Culp were elected to the executive. Mr. Craise and Mr. Culp were appointed delegates of the Ontario Fruitgrowers Association Convention.

PENSION APPLICATION

67 applicants in 1939, 63 in 1940, 59 in 1941, 51 in 1942 and 1943, 78 in 1944, 95 last year and 84 this year. There were 24 applicants for mothers' allowance in 1939, 11 in 1940, 14 in 1941, 42 and 43, 9 in 1944, 14 last year and 18 this year. Few applications for blind pensions have been received in recent years there only being two in 1930, seven the next year, none in 1941 and only one each for the succeeding three years. There were two last year and one this year.

Reeve W. L. Patterson of Niagara-on-the-Lake presented the report of the Education Committee to council together with the interim report of the Consultative Committee on Secondary School Education. Tentative plans and details of the proposed setting up of high school areas in Lincoln County were contained in Mr. Patterson's report which was approved by council.

Council gave approval to a report of the General Administration Committee, presented by Reeve Roy A. Saunders of Beamsville. The report contained recommendations reached by the committee regarding re-allocation of space and possible additional vault space in the county buildings for the use of the court clerk, Major E. J. Lovelace and Hugh Donald, Inspector of Legal Offices, the members of the General Administration Committee discussed the plans prepared by county officials regarding changes being made in the county buildings in the council's scheme of remodernization and redecoration of the building.

Deputy-Reeve J. D. Taylor of Louth Township, Chairman of the Agriculture Committee, and the members of his committee, were delegated by council to attend the annual convention of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture to be held in Toronto on January 8th, 9th and 10th of next year.

Acting on the recommendation of the report of the Public Health Committee, presented by Reeve Cecil Secord of Grantham, council requested Dr. D. V. Currey, Medical Officer of Health of the St. Catharines-Lincoln County Health Unit, to clarify his request regarding the licencing of restaurants following inspection by the Unit. The M.O.H. was also requested by the council to submit a recommended draft bylaw in regard to his suggestions. A comprehensive report on the activities of the Unit during the past year was also given to council by Reeve Secord.

The regular bylaw appointing trustees to the various high school districts in Lincoln County and in the City of St. Catharines was passed with the following appointments being made for 1947: G. B. McCallan for one year to Grantham High School; J. P. Harris for one term to Port Dalhousie; J. R. Stork, one term to the St. Catharines Collegiate; Fred Boulter, three years, William Hunter, two years, and James Patterson, one year, to the Smithville High School; John Hunter, three years, Ernest Culp, two years, Blake Davidson, one year, to the Beamsville High School: Lipsitt, three years, R. O. Smith, two years, Spencer Merritt, one year, to the Grimsby High School, Delos Wilson, three years, A. E. Walsh, one year, to the Niagara High School.

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ALL IS QUIET ON THE MUNICIPAL FRONT

Election Talk Is Practically Nil — Nominations Will Be Held On Monday, December 30th.

It is getting close to election time but still the political pot is not boiling over. In fact there is little or no talk about elections. Members of Town Council are all busy men and so far none of them have made an out and out declaration as to whether they will stand for office for another year or not.

In the township Reeve Durham has definitely stated that he will seek re-election to the Chief Magistrate's chair. There is not much doubt but what Deputy-Reeve Aikens and Councillors Mitchell, Bartlett and McNiven will also be in the field, if there is an election, which at the present time appears to be doubtful.

Nominations will be held on Monday, December 30th, from 12 to one o'clock. Town meeting will be in the Council Chambers and the township meeting in the Masonic hall.

If an election is held in either municipality it will be on Monday, January 6th, with the polls open from nine o'clock a.m. until five o'clock p.m.

AGRICULTURISTS WILL MEET IN JANUARY

The annual banquet and meeting of the Federation of Agriculture of Lincoln County will be held in St. Catharines on Jan. 4, it was decided at a meeting of the board of directors on Saturday.

Special speaker for the noon banquet will be William Miller, Lockport, N.Y., lawyer, who was a jun- Mr. Miller, who has spoken to dis- ior counsel at the Nurenburg trials. trict audiences before, served for three years with U.S. military intelligence before being assigned to the Judge Advocate General's branch of the army. Later he was reassigned as a junior counsel to assist Robert Jackson, chief U.S. prosecutor at the war crime trials.

E. F. Neff, county agricultural representative, said that the largest attendance in the past five years is expected at this annual meeting. Three hundred tickets were distributed to the directors Saturday for redistribution to their own organizations. The business meeting will follow the banquet.

Legion Jottings

Eric Banks, of Grimsby Beach, has been elected president of Vach, Lincoln Branch No. 127, Canadiest Legion, for the ensuing year. Other officers elected at the December meeting, held in the Masonic Hall on Wednesday night are: Clifford McCartney and John O. Saunders, vice-presidents; T. H. Jarvis, secretary; L. A. Bromley, assistant secretary; D. E. Scott, treasurer; Rev. Francis McAvoy, chaplain; Charles Mason and Robert Walters, sergeants-at-arms. H. R. Dowie was appointed to the board of trustees.

NO SPECIAL LEAVE

There will be no "special" three or four-day Christmas or New Year's leave for members of the Canadian Army this year, Army Headquarters has announced. Although the granting of several days leave, either at Christmas or New Year to troops stationed in Canada was standard practice during the war years, now all leave granted to army personnel over the 1946-47 holiday season, other than the two statutory holidays, Chrismas and New Year's Day, will be deducted from annual privilege leave.

Paid-Up List

James Law, Winona	Dec. '47
J. P. Biggar, Ridgeville	Dec. '47
Mrs. W. Hunter, Grimsby Beach	Dec. '47
Fred M. Marsh, Grimsby	Oct. '47
Canadian Press Clipping Service, Toronto	Dec. '47
G. M. Beamer, Grimsby	Dec. '47
T. G. Mould, Grimsby Beach	Jan. '48
Stanley White, Winona	Oct. '47
D. S. Morton, Grimsby	Dec. '47
John Hewitt, Grimsby	Sept.
R. L. Peek, Grimsby Beach	Sept. '47
P. H. Davidson, Grimsby Beach	Dec. '47
Mrs. H. E. Book, Grimsby Beach	Oct. '47 Dec. '47
Progressive Conservative Headquarters of Ontario, Toronto	April '47
Albert Coker, Winona	Nov. '47
Orton Crow, Toronto	Dec. '47

BREVITIES

EVENTS and TOPICS of the WEEK in TABLOID .....

Merry Christmas.

No paper next week.

Will it be a White Christmas?

Next Thursday, Boxing Day, is a public holiday in Grimsby.

Paris Greens play the Peach Kings at the Arena tomorrow night.

James Townsee Duff, Clerk of Binbrook Township, was a visitor to The Independent office on Monday.

Niagara-on-the-Lake Fire Department is going to conduct a campaign for funds to purchase an ambulance for that municipality.

Grimsby Post Office will be closed all day on Christmas Day and New Year's Day. On Boxing Day regular holiday hours will prevail.

Ian Murdoch, who before his enlistment and service overseas, was a member of the Toronto Star reportorial staff, has accepted a position with the Chatham News as general reporter and news photographer.

Citizens should read carefully the thpellent report that appears in Roadweek's issue of Lincoln County work Engineer Frank Weir. This work and great expenditure of money was done under the Chairmanship of Reeve Charles W. Durham of North Grimsby.

The first case to come before the newly appointed Deputy-Magistrate Hallett was that of John Pintnar of Caistor township who received seven days on a charge of being in charge of a car while in an intoxicated condition. Provincial Constable Ted Hope prosecuted.

A meeting of the ratepayers of School Area No. 1, North Grimsby, will be held in No .13 School house on the evening of Friday, Dec. 27, at eight o'clock. A full discussion of school affairs after one year's experience under the School Area system will be held.

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